# Steel workers vote for direct ballot on company pay offer

British Steel workers have voted by more than a two to one majority for a ballot on the management's 14.4 per cent pay and productivity offer. The corporation said it was

a mandate to return to work, but Mr William Sirs, the main union leader, dismissed the result as irrelevant to today's talks. He would not hold a second poll.

# Result irrelevant, Mr Sirs says

By Donald Macintyre

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Labour Reporter
The British Steel Corporation will today press the steel unions to put its "final" 14.4 per cent pay and productivity offer to a full vote of their 130,000 striking members after results showing a 69 to 31 per cent majority in favour of a ballot.

A total of 58,502 voted "yes" in the "ballot about a ballot" tartied out for the corporation by the Electoral Reform Society, and 26,517 voted "no". There were 1,413 spoilt papers and 35 blank ones.

blank ones Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of British Steel, made it clear that he interpreted the results, which were announced at the corporation's London headquarters yesterday, as showing that a majority of the workers

wanted to return.

Mr Robert Schooley, chief executive of the corporation, went further still, saying: "The blindingly obvious thing would be for Mr William Sirs (general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation) and his colleagues to call off the strike tomorrow. That would be a bit of common sense stuff,

which is at a bit of a premium nowadays."

Mr Sirs last night challenged both the validity of the bellot and the corporation's interpretation of its results. He made unions he had no intention of the workforce had voted in favour of the secondary ballot on the offer.

Mr Sirs dismissed the results in the ballot as "irrelevant" to the negotiations today at which the 12 area? he 13 steel unions will present resit counter-proposals to the ornoration's offer of 10 per cat, subject to national conditions, and a further 4.4 per

ent conditional on local proincrivity deals.

He added: "I am hopeful of employees addesses and that the will make progress there was evidence that manamorrow. But if we do not agers and apprentices not on

ation stick by their 10 per cent and by their stupid obstinacy there will be no agreement and no let up by this union or the other unions concerned."

Mr Sirs also class corporation over that management doubts on the fair

other unions concerned."

Sir Charles said of the turnout in the poll: "I am bound
to call this a strong ballot. By
no stretch of the imagination
is it a weak ballot. It is
extremely interesting in view
of the fact that a boycott was
put on the ballot in its early
days by the executive of the
ISTC."

Noting that there had been more than a two to one majority of those voting in favour of a second ballot. Sir Charles added: "It does seem that the workforce is saying to us: 'give us the opportunity to have this ballot'. The sense behind it all

ballot. The sense behind it all is that we want to go back to working and that indeed is what we thought ourselves."

Mr Scholey appeared to rule out the possibility that ESC would today improve its offer in negotiations to the 14 to 18 per cent level which the unions are thought to be seeking. "The workforce do not expect us to prolong negotiations. They are charly prepared to vote on the

clearly prepared to vote on the offer as it stands."

In complete contrast, however Mr Sirs said that the ballot results were "very good for the trade unions." The

had not been allowed to carry out "a free and fair " election. The unions themselves had not been consulted about the organ-

ization of the ballot.

He said that the corporation had been using "very old lists"

Mr Sirs also clashed with the corporation over his charges that management had thrown doubts on the fairness of the doubts on the fairness of the ballot by allowing ballor offices at plants where "anybody could go in and get a ballot paper".

Mr Peter Broxham, director of industrial relations, said only a "few hundred" spare ballot papers had been sent to each ballot office.

Mr Sirs' argument that less than half of the workforce had voted yes effectively takes up a precedent set by British Leyland when the management rejected a six to four vote on its pay offer on the grounds that under 50 per cent of car workers had actually woted workers had actually voted

It is unclear how many of the 86,467 votes returned were from ISTC members who had originally been ordered to boy-cost the ballot.

In the latter stages Mr Sirs made it clear he did not object to members voting "no" after instructions to do so had been sent out by some local area officials. The 11 unions under the umbrella of the National Craft Coordinating Committee did not nationally advise their members on the ballot.

Our Political Staff writes: While taking care not to read too much into the result of the ballot by the striking steel men, senior ministers drew quiet satisfaction last night from this further evidence that people want common sense rather than militant brute force to prevail in the affairs of the nation.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher has always maintained that the British are too honest a people to overlook the evidence when it

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# SOCIAL A Mr Mostyn (Moss) Evans, the transport workers' leader, addressing the rally yesterday, with Mr Len Murray, Mr Clive Jenkins and Mr William Sirs. he told the rally: "We have made clear

#### Thousands hear Murray attack on Tory policies

By Ian Bradley The Government is succeeding in its trategy of deliberately creating un-employment to weaken trade unionism. Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the Trades Union Congress, told a mass rally of unionists in London yesterday afternoon. That was not an economic policy but a philosophical attitude, he

said.

Mr Murray spelt out the message of the Trafalgar Square rally to the Government: "Stop the cuts, stop forcing prices up, stop the sackings, stop attacking trade unionism, stop avoiding your responsibilities, start listening, start talking, not just to the TUC, but to the people of Britain."

The numbers for the rally, which came at the end of a march through central London in protest against the Government's economic and social policies and the Employment Bill, fell cousiderably short of estimates by the TUC last week suggesting that more than 100,000 trade unionists would take part.

In fact, the Metropolitan Police estimated that only about 30,000 people marched, on the basis of a count of heads as the march left its starting point of Hyde Park. Trafaigar Square, which holds about 40,000 people, was never full during the two-hour rally although Mr Tom Jackson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers and chairman of the rally, told those present that "there have been 140,000 people marching today".

Despite the poor turnout, in comparison with the 100,000 who demonstrated against the Conservatives' industrial relations policy in 1971, the march took three hours to leave Hyde Park. When the rally finished at 4.30 pm, contingents were still filing into Trafalgar Square.

The march was led by senior figures in the TUC, with Mr William Sirs, genin the TUC, with Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, in the middle of the Iron row next to Mr Murray. Behind the leaders came the Dysart and Dundonald pipe band, one of 10 bands taking part in the march. Members of individual unions, led by the miners, followed in groups behind their handers. banners.

In Trafalgar Square the speeches of leading members of the TUC General council were constantly interrupted and heckled by a noisy group calling for a general strike against the Government. A group standing under a banner from the Yorkshire area of the National Union of Mineworkers kept up a continuous chant of "Maggie, Maggie, Maggie, out, out, out" and "Attila the hen from Number 10". Mr Murray was loudly booed when to Mr Prior again and again our willingness to sit down and talk with him. We are still willing to talk to the Government." He went on, however, to warn the Government that "if they do things their way, without talking to us, let it

beir way, without talking to us, let at be on their own heads".

Mr Mostyn (Moss) Evans, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, was also booed and neckled. The opening words of his speech were drowned by cries of "Stop your lorries" coming from those concerned about the delivery of steel during the present dispute. ing the present dispute.

The biggest cheer of the afternoon was for Mr Sirs who was the only one of the speakers from the platform to be heard in anything approaching an authosphere of silence. Avoiding any reference to the result of the British Steel Corporation's ballot, he said: "We intend to win the struggle we embarked

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# Handover of hostages | Impressive victory for Mr Reagan still blocked in Iran

Tehran, March 9.—The pro-posed transfer of the American Embassy hostages to govern-ment control failed to materialize for the second con-secutive day today. Mr Sadeq Qorbzadeh, the Foreign Minister, said that their student cap-tors had no intention of handing them over.

The students told a press conference that they were ready to place the 49 Americans in government custody at any time as long as the public way told of the schedule in advance.
That condition was put to the authorities during a meeting today between three Foreign Ministry representatives and members of the student council, the students said.

In a statement issued by the official Pars news agency. Mr Qotbzadeh said the aim of the students' insistence on advance public knowledge of the operation was to allow demonstrators to gather at the embassy and

prevent the transfer. Several thousand demonstra-tors gathered outside the occupied compound throughout the day, chanting pro-student slogans and listening to communiqués broadcast by loud-speakers on the embassy walls. The students confirmed at the press conference that they would not accept Mr Qotbzadeh as the Government's representa-tive in the transfer. Yesterday

they accused him of lying when he said he had the specific order of Ayatollah Khomeini for to the transfer.

It was the students who pro-posed the handover last Thurs-day after saying that they were day after saying that they were unable to comply with a Revolutionary Council order that they allow a five-man United Nations commission to visit all the hostages.

Mr Qotbzadeh said today that the students had demanded eight hours' advance notice of the transfer from the Foreign

the transfer from the Foreign Ministry. The notice should be so timed as to enable the students to announce duickly the move on one of the main Tehran Radio bulletins.

"According to the above con-

ditions, it is certain that the students do not intend to hand over the hostages at all, and do not intend that the international commission meet them", Mr Qotbzadeh

More than 5,000 demonstrators gathered today outside the embassy in support of "the Islamic students Shouts of "Qotbzadeh plot" rivalled calls to punish and execute the hostages, held by

Muslim extremists since November 4. Students stood guard in shifts to prevent the hostages being removed from the embassy, they said.-Reuter and

#### From David Cross Columbia, South Carolina, March 9

The first southern primary vote in this year's presidential election campaign has provided Mr Ronald Reagan, a former Governor of California, with his most impressive victors to date

It probably has also dealt a fatal blow to the aspirations of Mr John Connally, a former Governor of Texas, who had made the South Carolina Republicans primary vote a crucial

cent of the vote.

# and Connally setback in primary

tory to date.

test of his popularity.

Mr Reagan had 54 per cent of yesterday's South Carolina votes and Mr Connally had 30 per cent. Mr George Bush, a former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, the other leading contender for the Republican nomination, finished a distant third with only 15 per In a telephone linkup with

his supporters in this state capital late last night Mr Reagan pronounced himself "cautiously ecstatic" about the outcome. Speaking from Miami where he was campaigning for Tuesday's Florida primary. he said he could not believe the scale of his victory. "It exceeded anything I had ex-pected", he added. "God bless you all and thank you." About 100 wellwishers who

any British Young Conserva-tive club applauded loudly and then returned to their free barbecued chicken and cheese dip. A few minutes earlier in a barel on the other side of dip. A few minutes earlier in a hotel on the other side of town, a dejected Mr Connally had put a brave face on his defeat.

Surrounded by posters pro-claiming: "Connally a winner" and: "Connally can", the former Governor of Texas said perhaps somewhere down the road we can."

trail. Senator Strom Thurmond. iras campaigned ceaselessly by Mr Connally's side, seemed to think that Mr Connally would bow out gracefully.

"This is a comparatively young man. He is going to be a president yet", he said. Pre-sumably he was thinking of the

Mr Connally had invested a great amount of time, energy and money in his attempt to win South Carolina. He spent 17 days travelling across the state by bus to visit small farm-

television and radio advertising which filled the airwayes last He had failed to make any

impact whatsoever in the three earlier primaries in the north and he had yesterday either to heat Mr Reagan or finish a strong second if his candidacy to reassess his campaign. "We was to be taken or all seriously, did not manage to overtake the champ", he said ruefully. "But delegate to the Republican national convention in Decroit This attempt to leave his options open failed to remove the clear impression that the clear impression that the clear impression that the clear impression that the clear impression of the clear impression of the clear impression that the convention in Detroit this summer at a cost of about \$100 mm (24.4m).

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the clear impression that he money has been insufficent to would soon leave the campaign pay all his expenses and he the 77-year-old legend in this expenses outside South Carolina highly conservative state who well before yesterday's vote. His poor showing will hamper

any new initiative to raise more funds. Even the well-healed business community, which likes his forceful personality and his way with words will be reluctant to nour more money after a perceived loser.

Mr Bush, too, was hoping for a much higher chare of the vote than he obtained. But he could argue that, unlike Mr Con-ually, he spent very little time canvassing voters in South

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# neighbour' of From Dessa Trevisen Belgrade, March 9

Mr Robert Mugabe, Prime tinister-designate of Zambabwe, ook time off from the un-vectedly difficult task of umpleting his Cabinet this .eekend to spell out a relarkably cautions policy on clarious with South Africa. The resolute pragmatism of the new leader since his land-lide election victory has leader stronger than the stronger tha lready aroused much comment

of his stance on South Africa. ournalists from south of the rouble with his own left wing Me said there would be no

lie said there would be no sistuption of present trade with Africa, nor would his sovernment allow black guerallas fighting the white regime establish bases on Zimbabwean soil.

He expressed revulsion for a south stable and used the South

Crican government in make icial changes as soon as posble, pointing out that there as a lesson to be learns from sent events in this country. Tourism would be encouraged though visas would be necessry for visitors from South frica in future. These would frica in future. These would be hard to obtain. Because of the spartheid slicy, the nature of future piomatic relations with South frica would be carefully con-dered. But over the weekend if Mugabe's Zanu (PF) Party mied that it had threatened sever all sporting links with

outh Africa on principle
Mr Mugabe, whose Marxist
putation caused consternation South Africa when he won e election by such an unspectedly comfortable margin, id: "We would want South frica to regard us as her good ighbour in the same way that e intend to regard her as a od neighbour in the sense of e right of mutual coexistence

rween use. Meanwhile the difficulty of lving the problem of what vernment post to give to Mr. shua Nkomo. Mr Mugabe's nior partner in the renewed triotic Front alliance, has Cabinet.

Mir Mugabe's spokesman was have announced a list of ertfolios and the proportion of ese that would go to Mr come and his suppoorters yesrday without naming names it the press conference called purpose was absurtly ncelled. Mr Mugabe himself said that

would retain the portfolio defeace, that the Cabiner ald include one or two lites, not necessarily from Mr. Smith's Rhodesian Front, driver there would be one two surprises "
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# Mugabe aim President Tito's heart to be good weakens still further

President Tito's condition took yet enother turn for the worst yesterday and during last night, and the medical report at midday issued described the situation as "very grave".
Privately, Yugoslav officials

are not concealing the fact that a critical stage had been reached. The latest bulletin disclosed increased weakening of the president's heart and more pronounced spontaneous haemorrhages.

It also disclosed that the kidney insufficiency continued to persist, requiring dialysis treatment. This implies the need for more frequent dialysis and suggests a serious bandicap in the fight for Marshal Tito's life as it is improbable that his heart could withstand strain.

Clearly, even with the support of modern medicine, there are limits to his physical endur-ance and today's bulletin is the most pessimistic. It remarked that necessary measures of intensive treatment are being Six weeks ago President

Tito's left leg was amputated.
Three days after the operation
he was photographed sitting up
in bed and smiling, and his aides spoke of a spectacular The leadership has also recovery, which seemed to be maintained close links with the proceeding well for a fort-world non-aligned movement.

night. Then, four weeks ago, his doctors reported kidney failure. The next day his heart was found to have weakened and thereafter his condition deteriorated dramatically: The President drifted into a coma, and the nation was alerted for the second time in two months to expect the worst. The authorities made preparations for his

funeral. The elaborate succession machinery was swiftly put into gear, and the rule by committee has so far functioned smoothly.

The leadership has been showing itself efficient and effective, and it has kept up the country's resolve to defend itself against any external threat by emphasizing Yugoslavia's defence preparedness and by carrying out exercises to prove it.

Since the Soviet-led invasion of Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia's defence systems have been torally reorganized. The constitution was amended to make surrender illegal, and alongside the regular armed forces of 250,000 there is now a 3million-strong people's defence system, in which every citizen bas a specific role to play and every farm, village and factory has its strategic plan and

## Agence France-Presse. Photograph, page 5 would have dooked at home in Czechs expel Oxford philosopher

By Richard Davy

Czechoslovak security police deported an Oxford philosopher early yesterday after breaking into a private lecture he was giving in Prague to a group which meets regularly under Dr Julius Tomin, a respected Czechoslovak philosopher who is denied an official teaching

Dr William Newton-Smith, Fairfax Fellow in Philosophy and senior tutor at Balliol Col-lege, was about 15 minutes into his lecture on the rationality of

men and about 12 uniformed faculty of Oxford University is officers entered.

They took him away and questioned him for several

hours. He was told that he had committed an offence by giving an unofficial lecture. Then the security police drove him to a small frontier post from which he walked into West Germany at about four am.
Dr Tomin, who was man-handled and slightly hurt, read

out the remainder of the lec-Dr Newton-Smith's visit

his lecture on the rationality of one of a series organized and science when two plainclothes financed by the philosophy sub-

response to an appeal from Dr Tomin, Visitors have been impressed by the high academic level of discussions in the Prague group.

Last night police broke into Dr Tomin's flat and tried to arrest him. When he asked for the reason, they could not give him one so he refused to go. He was told to report to the police today. It is believed that the

authorities have been angered by an article by him published in last week's New Statesman.

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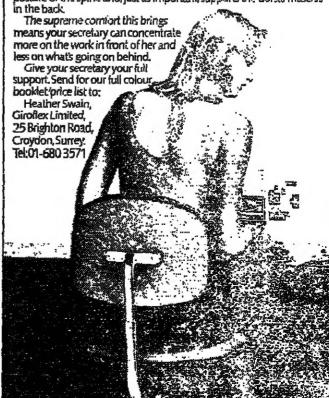
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## Rolls-Royce will Minister criticizes report £100m US deals loss

Unfavourable exchange rates on American contracts have cost Rolls-Royce £100m losses, it will be revealed at the state-owned sero engine company's report and accounts meeting in a few weeks. The report is bound to create a parliamentary storm and reopen controversy on Rolls-Royce's relationship with the National Enterprise Board which was effectively ended last Autumn by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry Page 15

Basques go to polls
The Basque region of Spain voted to elect its first regional parliament and end 40 years of direct rule from Madrad. The results are due today. The nationalist parties were expected to win most of the 60 seats in the new page 4

assembly Giscard PLO plea President Giocard d'Estaing said that

the Palestine Liberation Organization must take part in negotiations for a just and comprehensive sertlement in the Middle East. The French President, who is visiting Amman, was speaking at a snate barquet given in his honour Page 6 by King Husain

#### rate increases Rate increases for the coming year

were far higher than the Government wished, Mr Tom King, Minister for Local Government, told the Conservative Party's local government conference. He criticized Labour authorities for their apparent determination to ignore the need to Page 2 economize £13m food stockpile

A big increase in Government spending

on civil defence this year will include £13m to replenish food stockpiles kept in depots throughout Britain in case of war. The stores include basics such as flour, sugar, refined fat, yeast and biscuits,

Phone tap inquiry

The Government is to set up an official inquiry into telephone tapping by state agencies, as the only satisfactory way to allay public fears about its incidence and growth. The Home Secretary will probably make a Commons statement in a formight

French union's plea

The largest French trade union is to

appeal against a court ruling holding it responsible for loss of earnings of workers, prevented by pickets from en-tering their factory. Page 5

#### Mr Carter weighs up anti-inflation package

President Carter is working intensively on his new anti-inflation plan, which will include spending curs for the next United States fiscal year starting in October. Apart from spending, credit controls are being considered, as well as year curbs on aparent. The proas new curbs on energy. The pro-gramme is expected to be announced before March 17. In Britain, Cambridge economists forecast a drop of 20 per cent in engineering output over the next three years Tory rebellion threat: Senior ministers are not unduly concerned that backbeachers may revolt if the Budget fails

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# Ministers criticize councils for ignoring need to economize and fixing excessive rate levels

By Christopher Warman Local Government

Rate increases for the coming year were far bigher than the Government wished, Mr Tom King, Minister for Local Government, told the Conservative Party local government conference in London on Saturday.

Both Mr King and Mr Michael Heseltine Secretary of State for the Environment, said that they were disappointed that councils had not trimmed their budgets more carefully, but they singled out Labour authorities for their sternest criticism be-cause of their apparent deter-mination to ignore the need to

Mr Heseltine indicated clearly that his proposals for local government finance, which would enable the Government to penalize the big spenders would be carried through.

Mr King acknowledged the difficulties councils had in making economies because of pay awards, including comparability, the rate of inflation and interest rates.
"But even taking all these

Ry Our Local Government Correspondent

Average household rate bills

will be about £40 higher from next mouth an increase of 27

nert month, an increase of 26 per cent over this year, according to figures released by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy today.

There will be wide variations in different parts of the country, with inner London bearing

the highest increases, but the

figure, based on returns from 250 of the 403 rating authori-ties in England and Wales, is

the full returns have been made.

agree, Cipfa, the professional body to which most local gov-ernment finance officers belong, believes that councils have done

well to keep the rises down.

Mr Noel Hepworth, director

of Cipfa, said that local authorities had on average made increases 3 per cent above the Government's

above the Government's expectations, which were based

on 13 per cent inflation for the

"Considering that inflation

is running more than 5 per cent above that level, and for

local authority may run well in excess of that level because

of the effect of comparability

awards, to achieve average

Party in Scotland emerged

strengthened from the annual

conference which ended in Perth yesterday.

Efforts by both the extreme militants and the Campaign for

Labour Victory, representing

the opposite end of the Scot-

tish spectrum, failed to win an

influential representation on the party's executive.

Party organizer in Dundee and a left-winger, defeated Dr J. Dickson Mabon. MP for Green-

nck and Port Glasgow, in the

for the left and means the party is on its proper course. It has rejected the extremes of

Trotskyites and other militants.

I hope now that the Labour

movement in Scotland will be hetter organized to make a really effective protest against the actions of the Govern-ment", Mr Galloway said.

The defeat of Dr Dickson Mabon by 18 votes to 9 was a remarkable result for Mr Galloway, who is chairman of

the Labour coordinating com-

mittee in Scotland and of the

recently launched weekly news-

This is a marked success

ballot for vice-chairman.

Mr George Galloway, Labour

Although ratepayers may not

to remain the same when

level of rate increases". he said.
"The Government took great
pains this year to make the
fairest distribution of the rate
support grant that it could to
help local authorities in their
battle against inflation."
That had not had the races. That had not had the recog-nition it deserved. In addition, the figures for manpower still showed too little sign among local authorities of any serious

disappointed at the even higher level of rate increases ". he said.

effort to control recruitment, Mr King said. In London, rate increases ranged between 10 and 50 per cent among the 12 Labour and 16 Conservative authorities that had so far fixed their rates. one small exception, all the Labour authorities are at the top of the list; all the Conservative authorities are the

lower authorities. "This pattern of Conservative moderation and Labour extravacance has been repeated right across the country. Nothing could have revealed more clearly the determination of Labour councils to spend and spend, regardless of the situa-

Average domestic rise will be £40

rate increases only 3 per cent above the Government's ex-

pectations represents a very creditable achievement by local

It is significant that in rate poundage terms the average

non-domestic rate is increased

from 98p to just over 119p. That was the figure Mr Michael

Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, an-nounced as the notional uni-form rate against which he

would measure local govern-

ceeding it by a substantial

Mr Hepworth said that local

government might not have agreed with the Government's assumption that inflation would be only 13 per cent, but had noot put up rates by the full

Non-metropolitan (England)

chairman of the Scottish execu-

Some extremists among the

party executive came close to election but the lobbying efforts

of the right-wingers had less

impact. They held a fringe meeting at which Dr David Owen, the former Foreign

Secretary, attacked the left

wing, saying the party was not prepared to have narrow

authoritarian views that were not supported by the broad

mass of the party foisted on

The right-wingers produced a

"slate" of candidates they favoured for the executive, a factic normally adopted by the

left. Only three of the 10 can-didates were elected. Yesterday

delegates reaffirmed their out-

right opposition to the Euro-

pean Economic Community. Tas

party executive supported a resolution labelling the EEC as

a fundamentally anti-socialist body that imposed colossal bur-

dens on the working population

Mr Harry McMahon, for the executive, said the Community

had been an unmitigated disaster. But Mr David Scott. East

Kilbride, said there was no real

alternative to remaining a mem-

in Scouland.

unrepresentative,

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Scottish party conference

The left wing of the Labour Some extremists and constituency candidates

performance, aud those councils ex-

the slightest concern for the plight of their ratepayers", Mr King said.

Nothing could have demonstrated more clearly the importance of the Government's proposals to end the iniquitous proposals to end the iniquitous practice under the rate support grant by which those spending the most could attract the greatest grant. The Government would be replying very shortly to local government's counter-proposals designed to avoid the block grant.

while most of the delegates quietly accepted the likelihood of the introduction of the Government's proposals. Sir Horace Cutler, leader of the Greater London Council, was fiercely critical. They were undemocratic and unworkable, he said.

There is much in the local government Bill which spells disaster. The block grant proposal means that the Govern-ment and the Civil Service will be able to determine the spendbe able to determine the spenuing levels for every authority in the country. It will turn almost every local government service into a national service locally

rate rises down, local authorities

must be drawing more heavily on their reserves than expected. The figures show that the

highest domestic rate increases.

averaging 34 per cent, are re-

averaging 54 per cent, are re-corded in inner London, repre-senting a cash increase of £70. Rises include 49 per cent in Lambeth and 48 per cent in

Wales has the second highest

percentage increase in domestic rates, but the smallest cash increase of £31, because of low

In percentage terms, increases in the rest of England are in

In cash terms increases average

ing 50 per cent are recorded in outer London,

Industrial

Lewisham.

Average rate rises 1980-81 compared with 1979-80

Domestic

rateable values.

besides the 33,000 over the next three years announced last year. The second largest union in the Civil Service, the Society of Civil and Public Servants (SCPS), has told its members to meet this week to discuss a cal from the executive for authority to take industrial action if necessary. The Civil and Public Services level of inflation.
"This suggests that to keep

among the senior officials of unions that industrial action evidence, some union action

will start. Union officials believe that in addition to staff cuts the Government has two other options to reclaim the difference between the cash limit and the increases they expect. The first would be to stagger increases throughout the year, and the second to disregard the pay

likely, as the Government has made clear that the cash limit

has contingency plans for industrial action. These are to be used as a last resort, but the situation is such that action may prove necessary.

# Civil Service study strike

By David Felton Labour Reporter

unions

plans

Civil Service unions are dust-ing off contingency plans for strike action as they face two crucial weeks of pay negotia-tions covering 500,000 workers, with the prospect looming of a confrontation with the Govern-The unions are waiting for

the Government to announce what cash limit it plans to fix to cover Civil Service pay in-creases from April 1. It is understood that ministers have decided on 14 per cent, which compares with 18 to 20 per cent increases suggested in evidence from the independent Pay Research Unit. It is not clear when the

Government will announce the cash limit or what steps it will propose to meet the difference between the cash limit and the

unit's evidence.

The most likely outcome would be an insistence on job cuts, which could mean the loss of more than 30,000 posts, besides the 39,000 over the next

Association, the largest union, with 230,000 members, will discuss the pay negotiations and the effects of a cash limit at an executive meeting this week. Although there is a feeling should be avoided if possible, it is likely that if the Government refuses to meet the increases contained in the unit's

research exercise completely.

The second option seems un-

would be fixed after ministers had raken into account pay research evidence. In a circular to its members the SCPS says: "The society

"special privileges".
"The remarks are most iniquitous", he said on Saturday. "It has always been the case that rural life has been subsidized by the cushier town

# Steel being unloaded on an east coast river on Saturday from the Elke Flint of West Germa Ministers not worried by talk of revolt

Senior ministers were not un-Senior ministers were not unduly concerned yesterday about reports that the unrest among Tory backbenchers might turn into open revolt if the Chancellor's Budget statement and announcement of public expenditure cuts on March 26 failed to meet MPs' expectations.

Some of Mrs Thatcher's col-leagues share the view of Mr James Callaghan, leader of the Opposition, that it is often better to have a majority of five than of 50. Government business mana-

gers believe that their MPs, secure in the knowledge that less than 10 days ago the Tories handsomely defeated the Op-position censure motion, are for political and ideological reasons flexing their muscles to try to impress the Chancellor with their collective strength so that he may take their views into account in his Budger speech. They know just as well as the Chancellor that the Budget statement has to all intents and purposes been written.
That is why Treasury minis-

ters are not unduly concerned about the apparent warning of rising party disaffection given by Mr Edward du Cann, the chairman of the backbench 1922 committee, in a speech Saturday to his constituents in

of the "missed opportunity" of last year's Treasury spending cuts, which backbench Tory MPs regard as being far too

"In too many cases it was the practical activities which were cut, while the long, heavy and expensive tail of the Administration remained in-

tact", he said.
"Waiting lists at hospitals lengthen, the number of administrators remain the same Road building is slashed by hundreds of millions of pounds, but the number of officials in the Transport Ministry has scarcely been touched. Our Navy is no longer the largest in the world, but the numbers needed to administer it are as large as ever", Mr du Cann said. Another Conservative MP, Mr

Robert McCrindle, vice-chair-man of the backbench social services committee, last night called on the Chancellor to increase child allowances by £1 a week in the Budget. One way to pay for that would

be to cut down on bureaucracy, he said, echoing Mr du Caun's call for the number of civil ser-vants to be reduced rather than the services.

Mr McCrindle, the MP for Brentwood and Ongar, said: "The majority of Tory MPs will be disappointed if child allow ances are not increased by £1 Speaking at Weston-super- in the Budget because that is Mare, Dr du Cann, the MP for the figure needed to keep pace Taunton, was certainly critical with inflation.

Welwyn Gerden City, for 11 years and bought their house from the council for £15,800, a

They intended to modernize

have spent £2,000 on fitted carpets and a new kitchen.

houses in the area were in poor condition, but said that his was

not. He is asking the council

Mr Leslie Asquith, the coun

cil's chief executive, declined to

to find him another house.

comment.

He acknowledged that some

20 per cent discount.

#### **TUC** seeks ways to aid unemployed

By Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

The Trades Union Congre considering the revival of union committees for the employed as part of a new irritative to step up the level assistance to jobless a members and former mem Mr Len Murray, the T general secretary, has wr to the 112 affiliated unions ing them to suggest way which advice and inform on social security benefits training opportunities for unemployed can be improv

The TUC has been : aware of criticism that unions neglect the unemp at the expense of providing vices to members in Although most unions unemployed members to membership, often with rec subscriptions, minority do not.

One proposal under sideration is to reestablish funct trades council commi mittees were first set up a early 1970s and although were considered successi union leaders, at least in lasted more than a year. Their main purposes we

press local authorities to press local authorities to pand job opportunities. A paper endorsed by TUC's social insurance contee suggests that "the increase in unemployment, warrant), the launching similar initiative today." It is paper says that for sucjustications to succeed there? nitiative to succeed there-

need for support from the ing social security, unema-ment and supplementary fits; general advice on he cope with unemployment formation on job centres, cation and retraining facil and specific problems mocases of racial and sex crimination, and by the

The paper says there is information on the genera vices available from union the unemployed, but it ci survey carried out by the when it was compiling evic to the royal commission legal services.

Of the unions that rep 35 said they allowed men to remain in the union unemployed. A total o contributions and eight all reduced subscriptions.

#### Couple's home to be razed

Ten days after Mr Denzil, have lived in Mill Green Road. Evans bought his council house in Welmyn Garden City he heard that it was to be demolished with 529 others.

Welwyn-Harfield Council, houses are in such poor condition that the best policy is to knock them down and rebuild them. It has earmarked £20m for the scheme.

Mr Evans, aged 48, and his wife said yesterday that the first they knew of the demolition plan was when they read their local newspaper. They

Supporters hurt

Sixteen people were slightly injured on Saturday when a safety barrier gave way during the Scottish FA Cup quarter-final match between Berwick and Hibernian at Berwick-upon-

#### Oxford student's post

Miss Lesley Riddoch, aged 20, second-year politics, philosoplry and economics student at Wadham College, has been elected president of the Oxford University Students' Union.

# Weather forecast and recordings

Today Sun rises: Sun sets: 6.26 am 5.37 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: 1.48 am 10.47 am New moon : March 16. Lighting up : 6 27 pm to 5.54 am

1m = 3.28086i1 Foot = 0.3048m A depression will move E across

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: London, East Anglia, SE and E England: Easty frost, soon becom-ing cloudy, with occasional rain; wind 5, fresh, veering NW, strong; max temp 5' to 6 C (41' to 43°F). max temp 5' to 6 C 141 fo 45'F).
Midlands, N.W. Central N and
Central S England, Channel
Islands: Outbreaks of rain, becoming brighter and drier during
afternoon; wind S, moderate, veering NW, strong, but gale in exposed parts; max temp 7' to 8'C
[45' to 46'F).

SW England, Wales, N Ireland, Isle of Man: Rain at first, then showers, drier in afternoon with sunny periods; wind NW, strong, locally gale, backing W: max temp? to 9°C (43° to 48°F).

Lake District, Glasgow, Argyll, NW and SW Scotland: Rain or sleet with show on hills at first, sunny intervals and showers by afternoon; wind variable, becoming W, moderate or Iresh; max temp 6° to 7°C (43° to 45°F).

Borders, NE England, Edinburgh, Dundee, Central Highlands, Moray, NE Scotland; Sleet, but snow on hills, drier later; wind mostly SW or W, moderate; max temp 4° to 6°C (39° to 43°F).

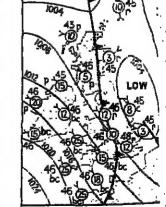
Aberdeen, Orkney, Shetland; Wintry showers, prolonged at times; wind SW to W, moderate; max temp 1° to 5° (27° to 41°F).

Outlook for tomurrow and Wednesday: Further rain in N and W, a little rain in SE, but mostly dry and rather mild.

Sea passages: Strait of Dover, a little rain in SE, but mostly dry and rather mild.
Sea passages: Strait of Dover.
S North Sea: English Channel (E1: Wind S. veering NW, strong; sea rough.
St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind mostly NW, strong, possibly gale for a time; sea rough or very rough.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d, drizzle ; WEATHER REPORTS to thunder. Cologne Copenings Dublin Edinourah Florence Lunchal Line 24 Gib alter Guernacy Helsinki Innabruck Istanbul





Saturday

London: Temp: max 6 an 6 pm, 8°C (45°F); mm 6 pm 6 am, 5°C (41°F). Humudiy, 6 75 per cent. Ram, 24 hr to 6 Bar, main sea level, 6 pm. millibars, rising.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 6 am 6 pm, 11°C (52°F): min 6 pm 6 am, 5°C (41°F). Humdity, 6 56 per cent. Rain, 34 hr to 6 nil. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 15 Bar. mean se level, 6 pm, 1,0 millibars, rising, 1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.



#### paper, the Dundec Standard. At 25 he is the youngest vice-'Poor service' in shoe shops

By Our Consumer Affairs

More than a third of visits to shoe shops to buy children's shoes are abortive, according to a survey published today by the National Federation of Consumer Groups. Its report says that standards

of service were disappointingly low in branches of multiple retailers, and that very tew hoppers were given any advice about shoe care. The federation says shop staff

should have more training, and shops should stock a greater variety of types and sizes, or at least offer to order the shoes if they cannot provide a correct firring from stock.

Duchess leaves hospital

It concludes that its survecontirms parents' long-standing grumbles that shoe shop dington. London on Saturday, ping with children is unnecessary a week after giving birth to her sarily difficult ".

Buying Children's Shocs Survey Report (NFCG. 70-76 Alcester Road South, Birmingham, B14 TPT. line to the throne, was very sell.

71b Loz at birth and twelfth in

# The Duchess of Gloucester left St Mary's Hospital, in Pad-

third child, a daughter.

Continued from page 1

Mr Sirs went on to accuse the Government of deliberately wanting to create industrial deserts in those parts of the country where trade unionism and socialism were strong. "The Tories claim to be patriots, but they are washing their hands of industry in this country. We are the true patriots ", he said.

The only other speaker to raise a significant cheer at the raily was Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Associa-tion of Scientific. Technical, and Managerial Staffs, who was conspicuously clad in a fluores-cent orange tacket bearing the legend. "ASTMS for the TUC and freedom".

The cheer came when Mr lenkins said: "I think we may have to have physical action to prevent cheap imports from

coming in ".

Earlier Mr Jenkins said:

"This is a disloyel government, disloyal to our people and to our institutions. In other times it would have been impeached."

Mr David Passacr, chairman Mr David Basnett, chairman been a first the TUC's economic committee Healey tee and general secretary of the cellor.

ulated behind Nelson's column, a senior police officer said that the march had been pleasantly peaceful Only three arrests were made during the march and rally Our Political Staff writes: Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secre-tary to the Treasury, said yes-terday that the main cause of

Britain's economic difficulties was the attempt by the TUC to push wage claims beyond the level that company that companies could afford. He insisted that government measures, however popular, were steps that had to taken. He said on the BBC radio

programme. The World This Weekend, that the Tory policy been advocated by Mr Denis Healey, the last Labour Chan-

# Car removal charges rise



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# Fabian plan for open government

Labour left makes gains at | First steps towards a freedom of information Act

A plan for gradual, experimental introduction of freedom of information legislation Eritain by a future Labour government is proposed in a Fabian Society pumphlet published today. It seeks to balance the public's "right to know" against the require-ments of efficient administration, and emphasizes the need to break down bureaucratic resistance to a public right of

access. The paniphlet's author, Mr Trevor Barnes, a BBC journa-list who spent a year scudying United States freedom of information legislation as a Ken-nedy Scholar at Harvard University recommends parliamentary timetable

three phases: 1.- The immediate introduction of a statutory instrument requiring all departments to abide by the terms of the Croham Directive, the existing Whitehall guideline on

open government, and its results to be monitored. 2.—The passing of a Preliminary Official Information Act establish-ing a code of practice for open government to be scrutinized by an information ombudsman and a parliamentary Committee on official information.

5.—After an experimental period of three to four years, a final Official Information Act would be passed incorporating the wisdom of experience. Disputes between departments and the information

mbudeman would be adjudicated by an information appeals commit-tee of two High Court judges and three MPs, one from each major Mr Barnes says a right of

by the preliminary Act. After five years, material labelled "confidential" (or "restric-

otherwise. writes:

Mr Trevor Barnes: Studied American legislation.

individual access to personal files held by the Government should be included in the code of practice. He also urges that the 30-year rule for official documents, established by the Public Records Act. 1967, should be reduced to 15 years

mental review board stipulated The plan emphasizes the need for a smooth, staged tran-

Peers to sit

schools Bill

The House of Lords will six

late tonight on the committee stage of the Education Bill.

There are 299 amendments on the marshalled list to be moved

in committee and government

business managers look with the greatest anxiety to the fate of clause 23, as they cannot rule

out the possibility of defeat.

The news at the weekend that

Lord Butler of Saffron Walden, the former Tory minister, is threatening to join forces with the Duke of Norfolk and some 40 other Roman Catholic and

crossbench peers and the entire Opposition in opposing charges for school buses for the two

eldest children of rural families must have given Tory business

managers cause for concern.

"Even with the Government amendment, at £2.50 a child, this will cost £5 a week for families on top of everything else". Lord Butler said on Saturday. "Rural life has not been encouraged recently."

been encouraged recently."

The Duke of Norfolk reacted

angrily to remarks by ministers

which suggested that the churches were seeking to claim

Tomorrow it will sit all night.

By Our Political Staff

late on

sition to freedom of informa-tion in Britain. Mr Barnes Bureaucrats accustomed to sec-

"Bureaucrats accustomed to secrecy as a habit would have an opportunity to adjust their attitudes. This should be encouraged in their training; at the moment informing the public is seen as secondary rather than central to decision making... the Code of Practice would help a smooth administrative shift to the final Act. Indexes of available doctments could he prepared, staff trained to deal with information requests and more accurate estimates as to cost obtained."

The preliminary Act would The preliminary Act would

limit penalties for unauthorized disclosures to carefully defined areas inside six categories: defence, internal security, foreign relations, currency and reserves, law enforcement and confidences of the citizen. Mr Barnes also sug-gests that section 1 of the Offi-cial Secrets Act, 1911, should be separated from freedom of information legislation and refashioned as an Espionage

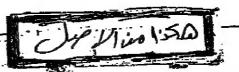
Open Up!. by Trevor Barnes, Fabian tract 467. Fabian Society, 11 Dartmouth Street, Landon SW1H 9BN. 65p.

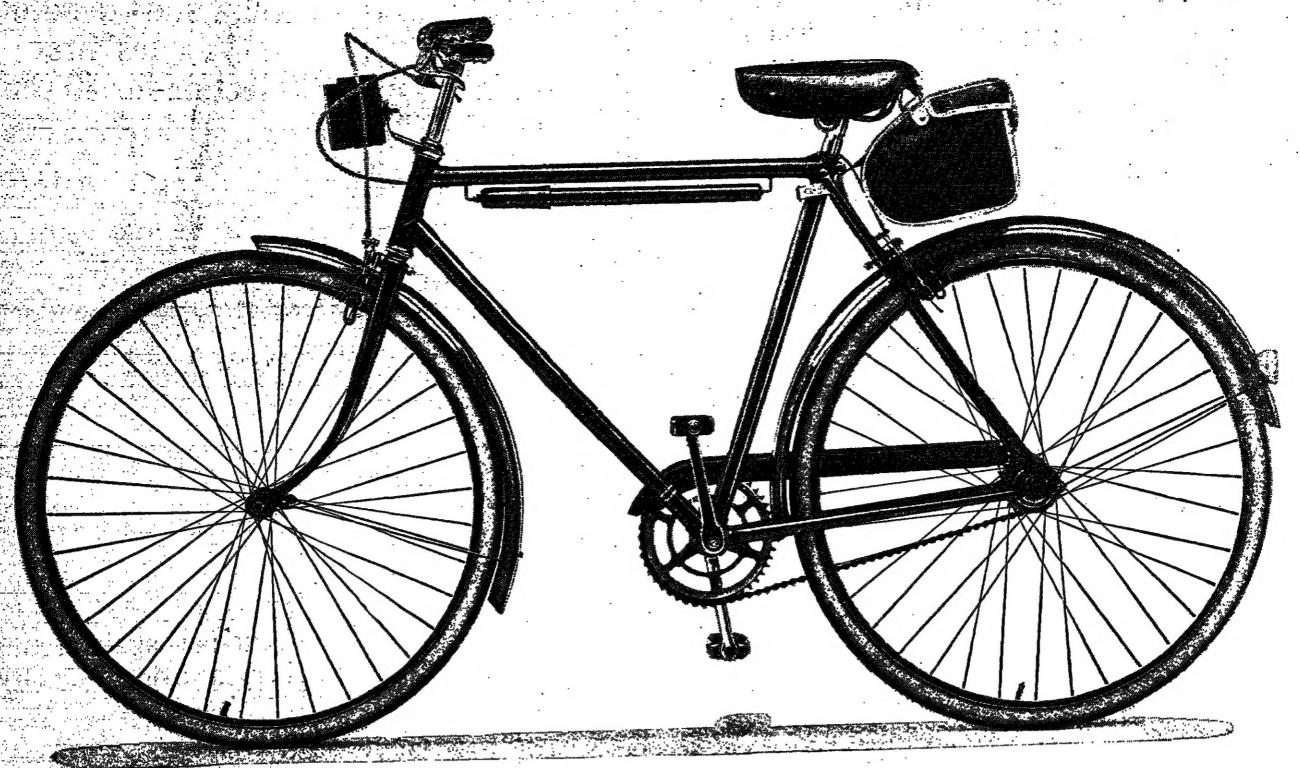
Call for action on imports National Union of Public Employees, said: "This Gov-ernment wants to make trade unions worse than criminals." As the colourful banners were

carefully folded away for next time and a lorry arrived to take away the small mountain of dis-carded placards that had accom-High Water: London Bridge, 6,42 am, 6,0m: 7,12 pm, 6,0m. Avon-mouth, 11,47 am, 10,0m. Dover, 3,41 am, 5,5m; 4,27 pm, 5,2m, Holl, 11,19 am, 3,7m; 11,56 pm, 5,6m. Liverpool, 2,16 am, 7,5m; 4,44 pm, 7,4m, 1,5m; 1,5m; 1,5m;

Drivers were reminded yester- motorway would rise by L6 to

day by the Department of Trans-port that from comprow the charge when illegaly parked up by 27 to 229, and elsewhere were removed from a in the country from 220 to 227.





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# Big rise in civil defence spending includes £13m to replenish stockpiles of strategic foods

A big increase in government spending on civil defence this year will include £13m to replenish strategic food stockpiles kept by the Government in depots throughout the country in case of war.

That is almost as much as the £14.6m to which total spending on civil defence had sunk in 1978-79, a steady drop from even the 1974-75 figure of £27.2m (at 1979 survey prices).

The plan is that in the pre-enack period local authorities would be told the location and content of the stockpile in their areas. No gastronomic treat would be in store. The stores include basics to keep alive hungry bombed out survivors: flour, sugar, refined fat, yeast and special biscuits. A Hone Office circular (ES1/1979) says: "These com-

modities have been chosen for their value in a post-strike diet as sources of energy and nutrition. They do not constitute a balanced diet, nor are the quantities related to the needs of the population for a particular period". The first meals after attack

would be of bot tea, hot soup, and biscuits or bread. The government holds limited stocks of hammer mills for simple processing of grain to a

form suitable for use at emergency feeding centres, and also mobile bakeries with generators. Once central government had ceased to operate after a nuclear attack regional and subregional commissioners in their underground headquarters would be responsible for controlling and releasing food from the national stockpile, stocks dispersed under ministry plans, other large stocks which it had been

thought impossible or unnecess-

Health Services Correspondent

Two words only, "No room", frequently condemn patients in special hospitals such as Broad-

moor and Rampton to years in those institutions instead of

treatment in ordinary National

rities use the words every time they are asked to take a handi-

capped patient from a special hospital, according to Mrs

Susanne Dell, a lecturer at the Institute of Psychiatry, commissioned by the Department of

Health and Social Security to investigate the transfer of

At the beginning of this year

there were 183 patients in the apecial hospitals established to

care, under maximum security, for men and women found to be

particularly dangerous, violent

or criminally disposed, who should in senior doctors opi-

nion have been discharged to ordinary hospital, home or

In the view of Mind (the

National Association for Mental Health), ministers' response to

the report—setting up a semi-nar and further staff discu-sions—is a total failure to act

The Department of Health

and Social Security, as mana-gers of the special hospitals, knew long before Mind not only

to right a national scandal.

director of Mind, says.

community care.

Some regional hospital autho-

Health Service hospitals.

supplies on farms.

But planners foresee that

for a considerable time", probably for several months, food distribution would have to be confined to emergency feeding centres for the provision, initially, of basic meals.

Emergency feeding could be organized only when lack of fallout permitted movement (say, from seven to 21 days after nuclear attack) and sufficient food was available.

The basic aim would be ro provide each day one meal of the stew type for each person at an emergency feeding centre; but the ultimate objecrive would be to make people responsible for their own feed-ing arrangements. The Govern-ment would not be able to guarantee that ingredients would be available for balanced

Government plans say it is "most unlikely" that food would be available before attack in sufficient quantity to permit local authorities to build up stocks for emergency feeding after attack; "but any residue of the school meal service stocks not requited for the wartime headquarters could be

There would probably be no electricity, no gas and very little oil of a type suitable for improvised cooking. In some areas supplies of coal might be available; in others wood or rubbish might be the only available fuel.

According to the circular, the Government's intention is that guidance to local authorities on improvised cooking methods, nutritional aspects of emergency feeding and simple methods of food preservation would be provided by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Guidance to the public would fall to local authorities.

The two words that can condemn patients for years

Mental handicap services 'at crisis'

Ministers knew that there

were patients in the special hospitals who should not be

there. They knew about the "swap system", under which an ordinary NHS hospital would

requisitioning plans would be activated and security arranged for food stocks. One of the peacetime tasks of local authorities is to list premises nor included in ministry plans where food might be available

for requisition.

The Government has advised local authorities that it would be prudent to plan on the assumption that no significant food imports would be received for some time and that all areas, even where no physical damage, had been suffered, damage had been suffered, would have to rely on emergency feeding arrange-

In the preattack period the public would be advised as part of the government campaign of mass information to conserve stocks of food in their homes for use after attack. No arrangements could en-

sure that every surviving household would have, say, 14 days' supply of food after atttack. But the Government says that even without food many would survive for quite long periods provided they were not too long rithout water. An annex to Home Office cir-

cular ES 6/1976 says that the sabotage of some large, long-distance pipelines and key pumping installations is possible. Any widespread nuclear attack would quickly disrupt the water and sewerage systems. If tap supplies were not available, the circular suggests using tanks, tankers, local wells, streams and other sources.

Water authorities have re cords for their areas of a national survey of the location and yields of all wells and boreholes in addition to their know-ledge of the capacity or flow of reservoirs, rivers and streams. A small stockpile of water supply equipment is kept for use after

discharging patients, because

local authority facilities were said everywhere to be totally insufficient. Admissions were

therefore restricted. Some hos-

pitals exercised a total ban and



Timothy Casey (right) with other volunteers yesterday relaying the track at the Liverpool Road station, Manchester, to enable the Flying Scotsman and other famous engines to steam in for the Great Railway Exhibition starting on August 2.

# Government decides to set up an inquiry into telephone tapping

The Government has decided that the only satisfactory way to allay public fears about the incidence and growth of tele-phone tapping by state agencies is to hold an official inquiry. Some weeks ago Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, promised that he would make a full statement on the matter before the Easter recess. That statement to the Commons, probably in two weeks, will ex-plain the reasoning behind, as well as the extent of, the proposed inquiry into telephone

tapping. Apparently there has been a great deal of resistance to Mr. Whitelaw's proposal for a public inquiry, not least from the security and espionage services, the police and the Board of Inland Revenue.

The Home Secretary's concern has been to provide an obvious response to the public anxiety that telephone tapping has been practised much more exten-sively than the agencies have

Mrs Margaret Thatcher's assurances to backbench MPs an importance greater than the last month and subsequently in Birkett committee devoted to last month and subsequently in tative of the people was having assuaged neither parliamentary nor public opinion. Both the should not be made public. Prime Minister and the Home with the result that since 1956

is under strict control.
That said, there remains

acute anxiety about the capacity of the Home Office efficiently to control the granting of tapping warrants in view of the numbers alleged to be involved. There is also considerable doubt about the legality of allowing telephone tapping. The last comprehensive inquiry into the interception of

communications was under-taken by the Birkett committee Its report concluded: "We

are satisfied that interception is highly selective and that it is used only where there is good reason to believe that a serious offence or security interest is involved ".

The committee's main con-cerns, apart from espionage, had been diamond smuggling and ensuring that communists and fascists did not join the ivil Service. Now, however, the Govern-

ment accepts that the use to which information obtained by interception is put has assumed

Lord Birkett and his coltelephone tapped have leagues accepted that the annual figures for interceptions

formation about the number of telephone taps authorized by

the Home Secretary.
It seems inconceivable the such a restricted view could he taken by a subsequent com-mittee of inquiry. Newspaper reports, particularly in the weekly New Statesman, have sileged that the security services have had almost a free hand in interception.

Last month Mr Robert Cryer,
the Labour MP for Keighley,

introduced a private members'
Bill to outlaw unauthorized
tapping and to tighten controls
over "legal" tapping. It could
be that Mr Whitelaw's statement

be that Mr Whiteler's statement and proposals will draw the sting, as it were, from Mr Creer's Bill by proposing an independent inquiry.

Mr Cryer said at the weckend that an official inquiry into telephone tapping would not allay fears over the issue. He urged Mr Whitelew to incroduce legislation so that "Parliament can once again take ment can once again take charge of the situation. "An inquiry will shut the whole thing up for a few

amone its terms of reference the sort of legislation which will make the Commons once again take charge of the situa-

From John Earle Rome, March 9 Once again, a Minister of Pubадпоидсей,

flooding from the Adriatic. Signor Franco Nicolazzi. Social Democrat, announced at the weekend that a commission

costing more than £110m.

of Signor Gaetano Stammati, bis Christian Democrat predecessor, who said in Venice in November, 1978, that he was setting up a commission of experts to report back within four months

No such commission was

Flooding, with its implicate for the life of the city, its in the industry on the mainle and the natural environments. the lagoon, has been studie detail since 1975. In that year the Min launched an international

for projects to preserve hydro-geological equilibrius the lagoon and to protect from floods. The best kt firms in Italian civil engir ing were among the five surtia which responded and mitted projects in Decen

edjudicatory commission, reject them all.

#### Warrant issued for Nice

casino director From Our Own Correspondent

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of M Jean-Dominique Fratoni, the managing director of the Ruhl Casino in Nice, which was closed down by Government order last Novem-ber because it owed 90m francs (about £10m) to the tax col-

M Fratoni, who made his fortune setting up the Victoria Sporting Club in London in the mid-1960s, disappeared from his home on the Core d'Azur several days ago. Ruhl's became the second most successful casino in France within months of its opening in 1974, but by the end of 1978 its losses had grown to

19m francs. His financial problems began multiplying after his successful bid to take over the old Palais de la Méditerranée casino in clouded by the disappearance of the daughter of the previous

M Jacques Médecin, the mayor of Nice and a long-standing friend of M Fratoni, said yesterday that he believed issuing of the warrant was deliberate attempt on the part of the administration to the town of Nice itself.

places to hide their laborato Court of Justice of

European Communit

#### **Devon farmer loses** exchange rate claim

Between Richard Pool, applicant, and Council of the European Communities (Case No 49/79).

Before the president, Judge H. Kutcher, and Judges A. O'Keelfe, A. Touffait, J. Mertens de Wilmars, P. Pescatore, Lord Mackenzie Stuart, G. Bosco. T. Koopmans and O. Due. Mr. Advocate-General: G. Reischl.

Judgment given on March 4, 1980. Mr Pool, a Devon cattle breeder, lodged an application under the second paragraph of Article 215 of the EEC Treaty seeking £9,504 damages from the Council for loss allegedly suffered in consequence of Council regulation 2498/74 (October 2, 1974). He contended that because the regulation fixed the representative rates of the British and Irish currencies applicable for the purposes of the Common Agricultural Policy at different rates for the pound sterling and the Irish pound, the Council bad breached the prohibition on discrimination between producers or consumers within the Community, set out in Article 40 producers or consumers within the Community, set out in Article 40 (3) of the EEC Treaty. That article to be based on common price policy to be based on common criteria and uniform methods of calcula-

He admined that he had never sold in Ireland but considered the decisive point to he that in terms

would have got if the repress tive rate for the Irish pound applied instead of that for

pound sterling The Council denied that t had been any infringing act. as ing that it had a wide discret that there were objective reat for setting different represent rates, and that it was there unnecessary to consider

question of damages. question of damages.

In its judgment the Court
called Case 153/73 (1974 ECR
where it was laid down that c
munity liability depended of
combination of antawiol acts.
fact of damages and a direct fact of damage, and a direct in the chain of causation better the two. It held that it was possible to take the view that price system guaranteed to ind dual traders that their produced be disposed of at the preprice level determined by C munity rules. As a result, that it did not constitute a value will did not constitute a value wi could be used as a basis of the parison with the prices obtain by a producer to demonstrate damage. Furthermore, the pilcant made as unreal of parison, because he would had to pay monetary comp satory amounts on imports?

satory amounts on imports Ireland so that he would in r ciple not have received diffe prices from those he obtained the United Kingdom. As the applicant was not able prove damage, his applicat could be dismissed without the being any need to enter into question of the lawfulness of money. The court dismissed the

Child benefit | Car makers on target for rise of £1.15 urged

Social Services Correspondent An increase of £1.15 a week in child benefit should be the top priority in the Budget, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Chancellor of the Exchequer, is told today in a letter from the National Council for One-Parent Families.

That would not give hard pressed families a real increase, the council says; but it would compensate them for inflation between the last increase in April, 1979, and November, 1980, the earliest time the Government has said the benefit could be raised again.

The Government is under strong pressure to raise child benefit this year. It is believed to be considering increases of 70p or 75p, which would be less than the amount needed to compensate for inflation.

Miss Jane Streather, director of the council, urges the Chan-cellor to restore the value of child benefits in November, and says he has no other means of helping families with children directly,

Increases of £1.15, which would raise the weekly benefit to £5.15 a child, would cost £645m, of which £42m would Streather suggests the increase could be partly financed by abolishing the married man's tax allowance.

The child benefit increase, which adds £2.50 a week to the first eligible child in a one-parent family, should be raised to £3.60 a week, she says. It should also be renamed the one-parent family benefit" to encourage more claims; only six out of 10 one-parent families claimed the benefit.

The council also changes to the supplementary henefits system for one-parent families, and the maternity grant raised to help all mothers.

#### inadequacy of mental handicap services had reached crisis point", her report says. In response to national policy and staff pressures, hospitals were enhanced. trying to reduce overcrowding and increase staff to patient was wrong but how to put and ight. Mr Tony Smythe, ratios. That could not be done by

10% fuel economy by 1985

By Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent

Car manufacturers are on

target to achieve the 10 per cent

increase in milage a gallon by

1985 they have promised the

Government as a contribution to its energy saving campaign.

In the first year of the com-

mitment, to last October, the

average consumption of new

cars sold in Britain improved

from 28.47 to 29 miles a gallon,

according to calculations by the

That represents a gain of 1.9 per cent and the department estimates that it could mean

million gallons a year. Further savings are expected as new and

more efficient models replace

likely between computer manu-

facturers.

The commitment to a 10 per meet more stricted improvement has been emission laws.

Department of Energy.

petrol savings of about

"From all over the country

came the message that the

take a patient from a special hospital only on an exchange others allowed one admission only for every three or four discharges. It was not surprising basis or an understanding of "favours to come" in getting that patients awaiting admission a patient into a special hospital. from a special hospital were treated as low priority cases.

Long and hopeless delays were caused, and the difficul-They knew also of the tremendous pressure on the over-crowded special hospitals and the log jam of patients who ought to be cared for elseties were getting worse every year. Yet the detention of patients in a special hospital was indefensible, unless it was necessary. Procedures under which outside haspitals should agree to

Answers include, in Mind's view, charging local health authorities for patients kept in special hospitals because there was no place for them outside; and insistence by the Secretary of State that health authorities was that it was the hospital connections their function and his second agree to take patients from special hospitals were ignored. The reality was that it was the hospital connections their functions and his second agree to take patients from special hospital connections. pitals were ignored. The reality was that it was the hospital con-sultant and his staff who detervide a service for patients re- mined who was admitted. they did not want a patient he gardless of from where they would not be admitted. Reasons given for a refusal varied from no room to not in our catchment area"; any reason, including postal delay, was given for delaying a decision Mrs Dell found the difficulty of finding places in hospitals for the mentally handicapped dominated the transfer patients from the special hos-

for months or even years.

A main conclusion Mrs Dell makes is that if an "outside" medical consultant can be persuaded to visit the parient awaiting transfer from a special hospital, the chance of the transfer taking place is greatly

Transfer of Special Hospital Patients to NHS Hospitals (Special

Manufacturers and Traders and

covers all leading British car

makers as well as a dozen

importers.
The average fuel consump-

tion figure is obtained by com-bining the three official figures

Department of Energy has issued since April, 1978. These

are: for an urban driving cycle. at a constant 56 mph, and at a

to save fuel by making engines more efficient, reducing the

weight of vehicles and design-

full impact of such measures is

motorist because of the need to

meet more stringent salety and

But they point out that the

ing smoother body shapes

Manufacturers are planning

for each model which

constant 75 mph.

# carving once in St Paul's Yet another piece of St Paul's Cathedral, this time a wooden

ceiling carved by the leading English barnque sculptor, Grinling Gibbons, has come up for

Advertised in the Inter-national Herald-Tribune, the ceiling is on offer at £20,000, an offer museums in this country have neither the money nor

The intricately carved ceiling, festooned with fruit and shells in true Gibbons style, is stored in London in two halves, which together make up a rectangle measuring 17 ft by 13 ft.

It was once sited underneath the cathedral organ, when that was in its original position, as in Wren's design, beside the famous Tijou Gates. The Victorians divided the organ and moved it, and the Gibbons ceil-

ing was put in the crypt.
The ceiling is owned by Mr
John Brandler, a dealer from Brentwood, Essex, whose pur-chases from St Paul's include several hundred Victorian chairs by W. Skull, of High Wycombe, and a large Victorian altar-piece or reredos, designed by the nineteenth century architect, Bodley, which was broken into several pieces during the Second World War. They were cheaply acquired then compared to the prices they would fetch today, par-ticularly in America. Mr Brandler is keen for them to stay in Britain, but unwanted objects go abroad.

Most of the rush-seated chairs, stamped SPC, have been sold, including two to the Victoria and Albert Museum, one for £45 and the other for £30. but the average price is about £15. They were bought for about E6 each but have been

The altar-piece, which in-cludes statues of St Peter and St Paul, has been lent to Cart-wright Hall, part of Bradford city museum, where it will shortly go on display.

The sales have brought pro-tests from bodies like the Vic-torian Society. Besides St Paul's, furniture has also been sold by Lincoln, York and Canterbury cathedrals.
The authorities at St Paul's

argued that objects were sold only because they were damaged, worn out, or redundant. Commander Charles Shears, registrar at St Paul's, said the aim was to raise money for developments such as setting up a treasury to display the diocesan plate. Mr Brandler bought the ceil-

ing five years ago, and it is likely to be one of the last disposable artifacts from the carbedral to appear on the

#### £20,000 asked for Gibbons | Million seek electricity slot meters By Our Consumer Affairs

Correspondent

A million more electricity consumers would like slot meters, the Electricity Consumers' Council claims in a discussion paper published today. The council says that although meters are the most popular form of easy-payment scheme,

and could improve the cashfor electricity boards, boards do little or nothing to encourage their use. The hoards also often refuse to provide slot meters even

when they are requested. The council acknowledges that coin-operated meters cause security and administrative difficulties, but suggests that many of the difficulties might be overcome by using repeater meters on external walls, or meters operated by cancelling tokens.

It recommends that prepayment meters should be advertised as widely as other payment schemes, and should be trailable to everyone on request.

#### Four saved by helicopter from Ben Nevis Four climbers from Cheshire

copter yesterday after spending the night on a ledge high on Ben Nevis. Earlier one of the four had dangled at the end of a rope after falling from the The climbers are: Mr James

Gregson, aged 32, a teacher, of Shrewsbury Road, Sele; Mr Gavin Anderson, aged 37, a teacher, of Beach Court. Sale; Mr Dudley Moore, an accountant, of Broad Hill Close, Bramball; and Mr. David Traver hall; and Mr David Tracey aged 26, a surveyor, of Chester Avenue, Sale.

On Saturday a helicopter re covered the body of Major Christopher Parsons, aged 29, of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, from the foot of a 400ft drop. He had not been seen since setting out alone on Wednesday on a ski trip in the Cairngorms.

in Basques' first election for 40 years 9.—The Basque region of Spain woted today to elect its first regional parliament and end 40 years of direct rule from Madrid. Guipuzcoa and Alava Among the first to brave wintery weather was Signature 83, who returned to Spain fr Results are due tomorrow. The nationalist parties were expected to win most of the 60

WEST EUROPE \_\_\_

Slow start to polling

Opinion polls predicted that the moderate. Besque Nationalist Party (PNY) would top the poll and its leader, Seaor Carlos Garaicoechea, aged 41, would form the region's first govern-ment since the 1936-39 civil The Basque country briefly had a government, but not a parliament, before General Franco crushed home rule and instituted four decades of cen-

tralist dictatorship. Since the general's death in November 1975, the region has been plagued by political violence and a deepening economic Twenty-eight people have been killed in the region this year, 18 of them by the terrorist group ETA in a continuing fight for an independent Marxist Basque state. There has been a recent lull in the killing and political sources said ETA was tring nor to pre-ETA wass trying not to pre-judice the chances of the pro-

No incidents were reported in

indepndence coalition Herri Batasuna (Union of the People)

France three months ago at heading a Basque government in exile during the Fran in exile during the Fradictatorship.
Señor Leizaola, a candidof the PNV, told reporte
"This is an historic day.
Euskadi (the Basque count
a day in which the Basque people will decide on a
mmediate future."
The elections are expecseats in the new assembly. The elections are expe

to confirm the PNV as the gest party in the region, general elections a year, it won 27 per cent of the a But disaffection among ones with the pace of destion of powers from Ma the ruling Union of the De cratic Centre (UCD) and opposition Workers Soci Party (PSOE). The UCD 17 per cent of the Basque last year and the PSOE 19

The elections will also the strength of Herri Bars, which, since capturing 15 cent of the vote last year, been split by internal dission. A failoff in support Basque Left) which has the early hours of polling paigned swongly for the ra-which began lightly as driving nationalist vote.—Reuter.

#### Venetians again promised help in saving their city so that work could start by

lic Works has visited Venice from Rome and promised the people a commission report on how to protect the city from the increasingly serious problem of

of experts be has appointed should reach its conclusions by October. This should allow contracts to be signed by Spring, 1981 for the first stage of works

The news would be welcome were it not for the precedent

did not visit Versice, chos Few Venetians have any fidence left in the words of

#### Ten held in rai on hidden heroin laborate

From Our Own Correspond. Paris, March 9 Police of the Marseilles of

squad surrounded an iso farm near Le Puy, in the H Loire, on Friday, arrester people and confiscated a s sticated laboratory for tur morphice into heroine. An those arrested was a recently released from pr after serving a sentence for part in the so-called "Freconnexion" drugs case in For the past two months on the farm from pine w nearby, crossing to 1 observation posts in the

tops through waist-high a This is the second labors discovered by the squad recent months, after a pe of four years after the dist ling of the "French co was found or even suspecte Commissioner François Mouel, the controller genera the squad, said yesterday it looked as though there a real "relaunch" of act by French drug traffich They tended to be looking

European Law Report

Judgment given on March 4, 1980.

of intervention prices or market prices expressed in pounds he would at all times have received more if he had heen selling in-Ireland, so that he had suffered damage amounting to the differ-ence between what he actually received for cattle and what he

#### Computer speeds up fire-fighting missions brigades after local government pletely happy with the com-puter, although they had some doubts at first. reorganization in 1974, chose to install a computer-based mobilizing system after deciding that its 41 stations and more than a hundred fire engines The United Kingdom's second biggest fire brigade is saving a minute on call-outs by using a minute on call-outs by using a computer. The Greater Manchester Fire Service say, the computer, which came into service last September, has also freed its radio communications network, which had become overloaded. One of the biggest assets of the system is that the crowded radio. radio networks no longer become jammed with calls from officers in charge of fice dealing with about 50,000 calls a year would have to be controlled from a single centre. played on the visual display unit screens, can be "recalled" if required and are printed out

The system cost £750,000 and was built by the military systems division of Ferranti, become overloaded. Crews now have instant information about the many special hazards they face from fires involving chemicals in the heavily industrialized area which has a headquarters and factory in Greater Manchester. A team of women control opera-tors can call out 50 or more appliances through typewriter-style keyboards and visual dis-

methods, most based on the RAF fighter control system dating back to the Battle of Service, which took over 10 team of 32 operators are com-

engines reporting their move-ments in detail. All Greater Manchester fire engines are equipped with data transmission boxes", "data transmission boxes", which on the press of a button inform the computer, and thereby the control centre,

The computer's memory bank also enables operators to obtain information on what sort of chemicals or other hazards exist in any building or installation in the county and advice on the correct way to deal with them. The control operators receive

priate appliances through their keyboards and then remain in touch with the fire appliances and senior officers' cars by All their messages are dis-

for permanent record. In the fire stations the typewritten call-out messages charter through input terminals simultaneously with the ringing of the alarm bells. The officer in charge of the station rips the message off the printer as he runs to his appliance, having in front of him a precisely worded instruction complete with a detailed map reference, which he can read off from his own

street atlas. The system is claimed by Greater Manchester and by Ferranti to be the first of its kind in the United Kingdom, The Greater Manchester Fire Britain, says that she and her 999 calls through lightweight and the most advanced in ervice, which took over 10 team of 82 operators are com- headsets, mobilize the appro- Europe, possibly in the world.

copy of the service's 270-page Rescuers also recovered the body of Mr James Young, aged 47, a coachbuilder of Windsor Road, Falkirk, who was killed when he fell 1.000ft while climbing with a companion on Mor, near Fort

tion and ordered Mr Pool to I

#### when they are on their way to of 500 square miles in which nearly three million people live a fire, when they have arrived and when they are free for play units, and direct them to and work. Other fire authorities, includrise map references among another task. 60.000 streets. ing Greater London, have been studying Greater Manchester's Mrs Marjorie Counsell, the service's principal fire control officer, who has had 20 years' system and several are expected to place orders for computers in the next year or so. Intense competition for the contracts is experience of earlier mobilizing

# M Marchais accuses paper of forgery over his wartime past

From Lan Mucray
First, March 9
M. Georges Marchais, the leader of the loyally pro-Soviet French Communist Party, is once anore having to fight off demaging accusations that he rollmantly worked for the black duting the Second World Names during the Second World War. The documented accusa-Wer. The documented accusa-tions, which appear in this week's issue of the pro-Giscar-dian magazine L'Express, are, according to Marchais, "a gross forgery" designed to keep him out of next year's presidential

This is far from being the first time that the Communist leader has had his wartime past under question. In the course of the decade since he took over control of the party he has fought and lost seven times in the courts to have the story dismissed as a streight libel. The last time was in 1977 when the courts ruled that M Marthe courts rised mat in Mar-chais was not libelled simply because newspapers had said he had gone to work in Germany in

December, 1942.

There is no argument about the date or the fact that M Marchais went to Augsburg to work for the Messerschmidt factory there. What is at issue is why he went and when he came back. According to M Marchais, he went because he and a group of fellow aircraft workers were rounded up by the Nazis and told that if they did not so to Germany to work did not go to Germany to work, their families would suffer, According to M Marchais, he managed to return to France in May, 1943, and never went back

to Germany.

The document published now by L'Express is meant to prove that M Marchais stayed in Augsburg throughout 1943—and that he was still there at least until May, 1944. It is allegedly a photocopy of a form which is said to have been kept with thousands of similar ones in the municipal archives of

Augsburg.
It lists M Marchais's personal details, complete with a few mistypings of names which are said to give a flavour of authenticity to the document. The allimportant line is said to be the one which shows the date when he reported to the Nazi authori- anyone.

ties. These indicate that he had reported on May 10, 1943, and on the same date the following year. A change of address is listed on the back seemingly to show that he moved from a hotel used by French and German workers alike to a place nearer to the aircraft factory.

M Marchais has been in trouble with his war record ever since he took over control of the party, because in doing so he toppled from power men Who had risen in the French party after a distinguished career in the French wartime Resistance.

They included M Roger Garaudy, the former party leader, who fell into disfavour because of his strong condem-nation of the Soviet intervention in Czechoslovakia. Others who fell with him were M Charles Tillon, M Maurice Krirgel, and M. Jean Pronteau, all former Communist deputies. Their counter-attack on M Marchais included drawing attention to the fact that he had not joined the parry until 1947 and in wondering what he had been doing throughout the latter part of the war.

M Marchais has reacted with vehemence against the rever-

M Marchais has reacted with vehemence against the revelations in L'Express. On television last night he said: "If I am the victim of a campaign, it is because I am a political man of a different kind to the others: I am a worker. I am a man who, like millions and millions of workers in this country, has been exploited. And I have always taken the side of the exploited." His claim that the document is a forgery has been supported

is a forgery has been supported by his party's politburo. In their statement they say that: "The objective remains more than ever that which the bourgeoisie have pursued without let-up since the accession of M. Giscard d'Estaing to the presidency of the Republic: to weaken the party which constitutes the decisive obstacle to

capitalist policies."
M Jean-François Revel, the editor of L'Express, has denied that the document is a forgery. He says it remains in the records in Augsburg where it can be freely inspected by

According to the court the CGT had abused the law in provoking and in admitting in

such as opposing free exercise

supported the non-strikers in bringing their case in an ar-rempt to finit the right of

trade unions to strike.

The CGT is also involved

police, were caused by an agent

provocateur.

# Communist union ordered to pay non-strikers £35,800

From Our Own Correspondent the union's action in instigating the dispute meant it should have opposed illegal acts such as the opposed illegal acts such as the

rowerful union, the communist occupation of the building. CGI, is to appeal against a court According to the court lecision holding it responsible for the loss of earnings by workers whom pickets prevenworkers whom pickets prevenits conduct of the strike re-ted from entering their factory course to illicit procedures

Under the court ruling the of the right to work.

The union said the company, which is a subsidiary of the making a total of £35,805.

Such as opposing free exercise of the right to work.

The union said the company, which is a subsidiary of the American Pullman concern; had

The case arises from a strike it the larry trailer factory at Luneville in Meurthe-et-Moselle netween May 28 and June 20 ast year. The union, which has a strong membership among the 1.450 employees, called the trike for a pay increase and nounted a picket to prevent the entry of non-union members.

The dispute was a particu-arly violent one, with the union wice occupying the plant after nanagement lockouts and the or police twice being called or clear union militants from he building. In the end, the imployees were given pay rises of between 13 and 17 per cent. But 259 non-strikers who had icen unable to earn anything recause of the picketing, sued or loss of earnings. Of these 14 droped their case but the thers continued and were warded damages by the Luneille court on Friday.

In its judgment the court said

#### É Germans turn pack visitors o Leipzig Fair

rom Our Correspondent John, March 9 Several dozen West Germans ravelling to the Leipzig Fair ere turned back by East Gerian border officials who told hem their presence in East termany was undesirable.

In most cases, they were forhe came to West Germany everal years ago with official ermission.

Herr Erich Honecker, the art German leader, said uring a visit to the fair that ade herween the two German tates would develop especially ell this year. Official figures eleased last week indicated rat inter-German trade will ass 10,000m D mark (\$2,500m)

#### Bomb found at villa of former Italian minister

Rome, March 9.—Police de-fused a powerful homb timed to go off a few hours later out-side the villa of Signorina Tina Anselmi, a former Christian Democrat minister, at Castel-franco, Veneto, near Treviso

A relative of Signorina Anselmi's reported a suspicious plastic hag just outside the villa, which police said, contained a 61b bomb.

In Rome, police said youths threw fire bombs at the Com-munist Party office in the western Gianicolense section of the city. The office was destroyed. In another attack, a time bomb exploded in an apartment building in the western Trastevere section of the city causing light damage.—AP and UPI.

# Tug stops tanker wreck from causing oil disaster

rom Our Own Correspondent aris, March 9

Six experts inched on board the wrecked ern section of the tanker French coast. anio, which is under tow now the channel, to decide if and id reported to the Ministry of e order to tow the section

The section contains 13,000 nnes of oil and it is hoped at when the present stores bsides it can be towed into ubour and the oil safely

The tug just managed to stop the bulk grinding on to the hen it can be towed into Le dangerous Roches Douvres 30 avre. They were brought miles west of Jersey. Had it here at Brest this afternoon gone aground it seems certain gone aground it seems certain that the oil in the holds would have caused severe pollution both on the Brittany coast and in the Channel Islands. As it is, so far only a very few small slicks have been sighted near

shore. There are no plans at the unscrupulous politicians" moment to put into operation the plan worked out after the A now was attached to what pollution disaster that followed ties? in the southern Philiples of the Tanin at about the Amoco Cadiz wreck two pines.—Agence France—Presse am yesterday; after a skilled years ago to protect the coast. and UPI.

Mr Botha confronts right-wing challenger

OVERSEAS.

From Gerald Shaw Cape Town, March 9

Mr P. W. Botha, the South African Prime Minister, moved strongly this weekend to bring the internal ructions in the National Party Government to a head, challenging right-wing dissidents to follow his leader ship or choose another leader. In what observers see as the

party's most serious crisis since it came to power in 1948, Mr Botha is seeking to break the influence of Dr A. P. Treurnicht, the bardline right-wing leader of the National Party in the Transvaal, who has been opposing the Botha Administra non's reformist policies and asserting himself as an alter-

native Prime Minister.
The Mugabe election victory in Southern Rhodesia, which came as a shock to the nationalist Government, helped to bring tensions to a head. Mr Botha now realizes that the time available for reformist change in South Africa is shorter than ever.

He appears to have resolved to force Or Treurnich; out of the Chinat or at least to new

the Cabinet or at least to neu tralize his influence in the

Yesterday Mr Botha invited journalists to a closed conference of Cape party stalwarts to hear one of the most liberalsounding and reformist speeches he has made for some months. He said that Afrikanerdom and South Africa did not need the Immorality Act and the Mixed Marriages Act (prohibiting sex and marriage across the colour line) and that more important priorities faced the

Country.

Referring to Dr Treuroicht without naming him, Mr Botha said that South Africa could not afford the luxury of political opportunism when young whites and blacks were dving in defence of their country. On Friday, Mr Botha publicly repudiated a statement by Dr Treurnicht which opposed racially mixed schools rugby at the annual Craven week tourna-

Dr Treurnicht's influence as head of the powerful National Party of the Transvaal has seriously inhibited Mr Botha in putting into action reformist policies and moving away from racial discrimination.

Dr Treurnicht has been seeking to exploit the right-wing backlash against Mr Boths's policies to advance his own ambitions for the premiership.

Dr Treurnicht's position in the party, particularly in the Transvaal, is by no means weak. But Mr Botha is in a powerful

position himself, enjoying the support of the Afrikaans press and the national television network and wielding considerable power of patronage as Prime Minister.

He is strongly supported in his own Cape Province, in the Orange Free State and in Natal. Observers who were counting heads in the national parliamentary caucus this weekend were chance of coming out on top.

Supplication in the compound: The militant students, who hold the American hostages in Tehran, pictured yesterday preparing themselves for prayer in the embassy grounds.

# Pakistan opts for conciliation with Opposition Russia as best hope of survival

Washington, March 9 Pakistan's rejection of Washington's offers of aid has been another severe blow to American foreign policy. Immediately after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, President Carter announced that strenuous efforts would be made to help Pakistan, and that defence agreements between the two countries were still in force.

Mr Zbigniew Brzezinski, the

President's national security adriser, went to Pakistan and promised every assistance. A total of \$400m (£175m) was promised immediately, half in military aid and half in economic and promise an mic assistance, and Pakistan's long-term needs were to be examined sympathetically.

By the end of last week, it had become clear that Pakistan

had decided that it did not want American assistance, and on Friday the State Department finally admitted it. A number of statements by President Zia ul-Hag and his foreign policy India.

adviser criticized the American offer as inadequate and politically unacceptable.

Relations between the United States and Pakistan have been cool for some time, and reached their nadic last autumn, when a mob in Islamabad attacked the American Embassy there and destroyed it, without the authorities making any effort

to stop them. This followed a long period during which, first the United States refused to sell arms to Pakistan, and then exerted it-self to stop Pakistan developing nuclear weapons. None of this would have mattered to President Zia, in the view of American observers here, and he would have accepted American aid against the Soviet Union if he had thought it in Pakistan's interests.

He seems to have concluded that his best hope for survival is to be conciliatory towards his enemies to the north and to the east-the Soviet Union and

stani domestic politics, direct American involvement might prove positively harmful to President Zia's hopes of remain-ing in power and holding his country together. Non-aligned role: President Zia

has suggested that if Soviet troops withdrew from Afghanistan a peace-keeping force from non-aligned states could be sent as a guarantee against outside interference. In an interview with the West German magazine Der Spiegel pub-lished today in Hamburg, General Zia said he had made the proposal to Moscow .-

Neutrality opposed: China today expressed opposition to the setting up of a "neutral" Alghanistan as proposed last month by the EEC. The People's Daily said the proposal was harms rather than expects the national rights of Afghanistan".

—Agence France-Presse.

# US seeks Greek help for moving forces

From Mario Modiano Athens, March 9

The United States Government is trying to ensure the cooperation of Greece and other Mediterranean countries in facilitating rapid access to its forces being deployed in the Gulf area and South-West Asia, if they became involved in military action to defend vital

Western interests. The facilities suggested would include the use of air corridors over the Greek mainland and the Aegean Sea, as well as stopover and logistics arrangements in case of an airlift of men and tending to give him the best supplies to the forces that would operate from land bases

in Oman, Somalia, and Kenya. No immediate response was solicited from Athens, but initial Greek reactions were that in this kind of contingency planning no carte blanche could be given. The eventual request would be considered on an ad had basis depending on the nature of the military action undertaken by the United

The American approach was also made to Lishon, Madrid and Ankara. It falls within the scope of this week's statement Mr Harold Brown, the ted States Defence Secre-States was "intensively nego- eliminate this obstacle.

airfield, and other facilities to improve our ability to sustain naval and aircraft deploy-

Most of the facilities requested are not covered by pre-sent defence arrangements with Greece which restrict the use of the bases to Nato-related operations.

One additional complication that Greece's position in Nato is in doubt, as all the efforts to secure its military reintegration in the alliance have stumbled on Turkish objections. The Greeks are inclined to tary, who said that the United exerting enough pressure to

# leader held by Liberians

Monrovia, March 9.—The leader of the Liberian opposi-tion gave himself up today after a warrant for his arrest was issued on grounds of treason. arising from a strike he called in an attempt to make President William Tolbert resign.

Mr Gabriel Bacchus Mat-thews, head of the Progressive People's Party, had escaped with followers yesterday when police and soldiers occupied his party's headquarters to make arrests on charges of treason.

Officials said that Mr Matthews had sought refuge at the Vatican's Apostolic Nunciature in Monrovia, Today Mr Matthews appeared before President Tolbert, who had legalized the opposition party two months ago.

The President said that Mr Matthews would be given a "fair and speedy trial".

Mr Matthews had called for the strike, which took place yesterday, at an outdoor rally

He told the rally that President Tolhert's stay in office had led to political instability. The strike shut all stores in Monrovia. A police motorcycle

and truck were said to have been burnt by demonstrators, but today the capital was calm The Justice Minister. Mr Juseph Chesson, said yesterday that 38 members of the Progressive People's Party had been arrested and five were being sought. He said all were

accused of treason and sedition. Sierra Leone protest: Trouble was reported in neighbouring Sierra Leone, where students in Freetown stoned buses in a protest against increased petrol fares.-Agence France-Presse and Reuter.

# Kampuchea predicted

Vietnamese

push in

Peking, March 9.—Mr Khieu Samphan, Prime Minister of the Chinese-supported Khmer Rouge administration, predicted today that Victnamese-led forces in Kampuchea would make a determined effort to destroy his guerrilla fighters before the end of the dry season in two months?

Mr Khieu Samphan, who arrived in Peking today, said at a banquet that his Khmer Rouge forces would continue fighting until all Vietnamese troops had been forced out of Kampuches.

"The Le Dunn clique (Vietnamese authorities; has now clearly realized that it has to strive to crush us at all cost in this dry season. Otherwise it would face more and more difficulties. Therefore during these two forthcoming months. the fighting will be fiercer and fiercer", he said.

After a two-day visit to the North Korean capital of Pyon-gyang beginning on Tuesday Mr Khieu Samphan will have another two days of talks in Peking before returning home. Fresh fighting between Vict-namese-led forces, and the Khmer Rouge guerrillas was re-

ported today along the Thai-Kampuchean border. Military sources said that a hattle took place just inside Kampuchea
The Thai army was watching

The That army was received closely for any possible extension of the fighting into Thailand, they added.—Reuter, Reconciliation Sought: The Reconciliation sought: The People's Daily in Peking mentioned the programme for national unity adopted after the December reshuffle in which Mr Khieu Samphan succeeded

Reference to the national unity programme was seen bere as being closely linked with the coming visit to Peking by Prince Sihanouk, the former Kampuchean head of state. China wants to see him reconciled with the Khmer

Rouge. Statement challenged: Kampuchea's pro-Vietnamese Gov-ernment has rejected as "lies" joint statement published in Kuala Lumpur on Friday by the Foreign Ministers of five South-East Asian and ning European countries, and said that the situation in Kampuchea is " irreversible".
The statement, monitored in

Bangkok, had linked the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and the Victnamese intervention in Kampuchea, saying that both had one feature in com-mon-the imposition of foreign forces on small, independent states. It wanted to see the withdrawal of such forces from Afghanistan and Cambodia.— Agence France-Presse.

Indian pause: India would not recognize the present Henry Samrin regime in Kumpuches hefore consulting the Associa-tion of South-East Asian Nations (Asean), Tunky Ahmed Rithaudeen, the Malaysian Foreign Minister, said at the weekend (Our Kuala Lumpur correspondent writes).

Nuclear

Power

#### Good organization gave in another legal case arising from its claim that riots in Paris on March 23 last year, I between demonstrators and the Mr Reagan victory

Carolina, preferring instead to concentrate his efforts in the south on the Florida primary.

The union based its claim on photographs that appeared to show a man breaking a window at the start of the riots. "I think what happened was only to be expected," he told a television interviewer last The man in the picture later gave a news conference in which he admitted being paid night. "I feel good about Florida," he said, adding that the competition for the Republican nomination was once again F500 to break the window. He has since seen police who now have arrested M Maurice Lourder, the CGT regional offi-cer for the He de France. M Lourder has been charged with two-man race. Mr John Anderson, the mem-

ber of Congress from Illinois, who emerged as a front runner threatening death or violence against the man involved in order to force him to make the admission. in the Massachusetts and Vermont primaries last week did not enter the election here. The most liberal of the Republican candidates, he is concentrating his efforts on his home state which holds its primary in 10 days' time. He now has secured the endorsement of the two leading neswpapers in that

Mr Reagan's victory in South Carolina was principally be-cause of the strong organiza-tion which his staff had built up in recent months, In January hundreds of volunteers contacted more than 270,000 voters and identified 70,000 who said they would vote for Mr

Reagan. The South Carolina election was a well mannered affair un-til the last few days when cam-puign staff of Mr Bush's accused Mr Connaily of buying black votes. But the mud slinging seemed to have little impact on the outcome. Such allegations are commonplace in southern politics and black voters, most of whom support the Democrats, failed to vote vesterday.

the increasing "terrorist activi-

South Carolina Democrats will begin selecting their dele-gates to the national convention in local caucuses within the next few days. President Carter will almost certainly get most of the votes at the expense of Senator Edward Ken-

nedy.
Mr Reagan's overwhelming victory here should guarantee him a strong showing in the next round of southern primar-ies on Tue-day. In addition to Florida, voters in Georgia and Alabama will be going to the polls. If the former Governor of California fares as well in these states as he did here, it is difficult to see how he can fail to secure the Republican nomi-

A large question mark still hangs over the intentions of Mr Gerald Ford, the former president. He has made it clear that he is seriously considering an entry into the race because he believes that Mr Reagan's conservatism will lose the general election for the Republican Party in November.

Dr Henry Kissinger, the former Secretary of State, yesterday added his voice to those who are encouraging Mr Ford to seek the nomination. After a meeting with the former president, Dr Kissinger said that he was the best qualified person to lead the country and to handle its current economic and foreign policy crises. Mr Ford has already said he would re-appoint Dr Kissinger as his Secretary of State

# Sahara nations

fifth summit of Sahara region were injured in grenade ex-plosions in two southern Philipstates ended here last night with six African leaders putting off work on a draft good neighpine cities today.

Medical teams have been sent bour treaty.

The proposed pact among Algeria, Chad, Libya, Mali, Mauritania and Niger was on the meeting's original agenda. but was postponed for further ministerial study before the convening of the next Saharan

approved the latest organization the Western Sahara, supporting -Agence France-Presse.

# Don't enter it without a guide. These days a great many people

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#### Grenades kill 26 people in Philippines Manila, March 9-Twenty-six peope died and more than 100

and daring operation. The ocean going tug Languedoc was then have been able to bring the section round and tow it away from the to aid those injured in separate dangerous Roches Douvres 30

grenade-throwing incidents in Ozamis and Iligan, cities on the island of Mindaneo. Sixteen people were killed when grenades were hurled into two Ozamis cinemas and 10 spectators died when grenades were thrown in the Iligan city square where a big crowd was watching a singing contest. President Marcos recently blamed communist and Muslim separatist guerrillas and "some

#### postpone good neighbour pact Bamako, Mali, March 9 .- The

summit.
The Sahara leaders adopted a political statement which of African Unity resolution on the right of the people in the area to self-determination. The summit also approved a programme of economic, technical. cultural and social cooperation.

**OVERSEAS** 

# M Giscard urges PLO presence in talks on Middle East peace

From Charles Hargrove Amman, March 9

President Giscard d'Estaing made a further gesture towards the Palestinians here last night. In a speech at the state banquet given in his honour by King Husain, he insisted that the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) must take part in negotiations for a just and comprehensive settlement in the Middle East.

It was no accident that the It was no accident that the French President said this in one of the front-line Arab states which, as he pointed out, has suffered four wars in a generation, where Palestinians make up 60 per cent of the population and where tens of thousands of them still live in refusee camps. refugee camps.

In Kuwait, a week ago, at the start of his state visit to four of the Gulf emirates and to Jor-dan, he had insisted on the right of the Palestinians to selfdetermination and called for a revision of Resolution 242 of the United Nations which describes the Palestinian problem as only

one of refugees.

The President did not go so far as the Arab summit in Rabat in 1974 and recognize the PLO as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinians, but he took a big step in that direction. The Elysee spokesman explained that the French Govexplained that the French Government regarded it as "a valid negotiating partner" though not necessarily the only one. It was time, M Giscard d'Estaing added, that everyone

recognized there was no possible peace in the Middle East that ignored the two realities of the legitimate existence of the states of the region and the unshakable force of national senti-

Israeli Cabinet expected to protest as sharply against this new French con-cession to Arab sentiment as it did lest week against the first one. Reports from Jeru-salem point out that the Presi-dent did not even mention the necessity for the PLO to recognize the existence of Israel before being associated in

negotiations. But the spokesman of the executive committee of the PLO declared in Beirut that it was a positive step towards a just and lasting settlement. He hoped the other members of the EEC would "follow the French lead in recognizing the right of the Palestinians to set was a independent state."

up an independent state." France has not gone that far yet, and is only likely to do so if Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader, shows readiness to allow

for the existence of Israel.

A prominent PLO leader declared before the President's arrival yesterday that tens of 1.10usands of Palestinians would cheer him on his way through Amnian. People lined the streets two or three deep in the centre of the city, but there were no alld demonstrations of enthu-

Giscard d'Estaing arrived reputation since 1967 of being the best friend of the Arabs in the western world and the political leader most nualified to give a decisive impetus to political and economic cooperation between the EEC and the Arab countries.

His approach to the Palestinian problem, to the Camp David negotiations and the Egypt-Israel treaty, and to the conditions for a settlement in the Middle East is almost identical with that of King Husain. The private talks between the

sively with international affairs. The President outlined to King Husain the central ideas underlying the French approach to a settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict: The right to security and the right to self-determination of all the peoples in the region including, as he put it, "the legitimate preoccupations of the state of

Israel. The President believes in the need to tread warily and move cautiously by stages on these highly explosive issues. He does not always like his moves to be subjected to the glare of publicity. Today, for instance, he went with King Husain to the junction of the Jordanian. Syrian and Israeli frontiers and refused to be photographed looking into the occupied West Bank, thereby causing some-Bank, thereby causing some-thing of a revolt among French

reporters
He is leaving tomorrow for a working visit to Riyadh with M Jean François-Poncet, the Foreign Minister, and without any reporters. He will meet King Khalid and have talks with Crown Prince Fahd, the Saudi Prime Minister, before returning to Paris in the afternoon

The four French ministers accompanying the President had talks this morning with their Jordanian opposite num-bers on bilateral economic and cultural problems. France is anxious to increase her stake in lordan, now that the country has really begun to take off economically. French exports to this country have trebled in

the last four years. The final communique of the visit mentions development of mining and oil resources as a field for future cooperation. As in the case of the Gulf countries, the cultural dimension is not forgotten in respect to the training of technicians and specialists in France, the teaching of the French language and culture and radio and television programmes in French. There is to be a corresponding development of Arab studies in

France. Israeli condemnation: Mr Meir Rosenne, the Israeli Ambassa-dor to Paris, today condemned France's support for the Pales-tinian people's right to self-determination. He said in a radio interview: "Self-determination means statebood. Yet 95 per cent of the members of the Israeli Parliament are against the creation of a Palestinian state which, under

control of the Palestine Liber Organization. become a Soviet base in the Middle East." He defended the Camp David

accords which, he said, "will allow all the signatories and all the interested parties to continue negotiating to make them

succeed...
In Cairo, Mr Butros Ghali, the
Egyptian Minister of State for
Foreign Affairs, today reiterated to Mr Ben Elissar, the Israeli Ambassador, Egypt's insistence that the Palestinian as he did in the Gulf states, autonomy talks must end preceded by his country's well successfully by the target date of May 26. He called on Israel to create a positive environ ment that could enhance their

In their first meeting since Mr Ben Elissar was accredited as Israel's first Ambassador to Egypt two weeks ago, Mr Ghali also reaffirmed Egypt's condemnation of Israel's settlement policy in the West Bank and Gaza, while talks with Egypt and the United States are being held to grant the Palestinians living there autonomy



#### Hard-liner to get foreign and founded the smaller, more extreme splinter group known as the Stern Gang. Details about Mr Shamir's part in the various atrocities committed by get foreign post in Israel

From Christopher Walker Jerusalem, March 9

Five months after the resignation of Mr Moshe Dayan, Israel is to appoint a new Foreign Minister in the person of Mr Yitzhak Shamir, an acknowledged "hawk" on the Palestinian question and one of the founders of the notorious "Stern Gaog" which fought a bloody terrorist campaign against the British in the 1940s.

A reticent, avuncular-looking man, Mr Shamir has been Speaker of the Knesset since Mr Menachem Begin's rightwing Likud Government took power in 1977. His new appoint-ment, which has been blocked for weeks by political wrang-ling in the ruling coalition was finally confirmed today and will become official after a Kuesset

Seen by some political observers as a possible successor to Mr Begin, Mr Shamir is much favoured by hard-line supportlooking for him to oppose the more moderate views of the faction led by Mr Ezer Weizman, the Defence Minister.

The prospective Foreign Minister has already let it be known that he is a strong supporter of the right of Jews to settle in all the occupied Arab territories. Mr Shamir has abstained from voting in support of the Camp David agreement, and it is widely believed that he would

have voted openly against it had he not held the position of Speaker. His main objection was that Israel was giving too much away to Egypt, particularly the Jewish settlements in the northern Sinai which are due to be abandoned in April 1982.

family name of Jazernicki, Mr Shamir emigrated in 1935 to study at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Within two years, he became heavily involved with Irgun, the underground group fighting a terrorist war against the British and the Arabs.

He quickly earned the repu-tation of being a ruthless that it underground fighter, and later Sunda joined those who broke with the Irgun (led by Mr Begin) vote.

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the new Foreign Minister of Israel.

foundation of the state of Israel in 1948 and later played a prominent role as an agent for the Mossad, Israel's foreign

intelligence service.

Regarded as a tough political Foreign Ministry at a time when its influence is much diminibed, with both the crucial negotiations on Palestinian autonomy and the process of normalizing ties with Egypt being handled by other ministries. Morale among Israeli diplomats and Foreign Ministry officials is known to have slumped in the five months since Mr Dayan left

and Mr Begin doubled as Foreign Minister.
One of Mr Shamir's first moves is expected to involve the Israeli diplomatic offensive in Europe to counter support inside the EEC for the Palestinian's right to self-determination. He is said by close associates to be particularly distrustful of the role played by the British Government in attempting to secure support for a change in

At home, Mr Shamir is expected to provide important political support for his former underground rival, Mr Begin. especially over the question of implementing the decision to allow Jews to settle in the heart of Hebron, the second largest Arab town on the West Bank.

Discussion on this controver sial issue was postponed for a third time at roday's Cabinet session, but ministerial supporters of the plan are insisting that it should be discussed next Sunday. By that time, Mr Shamir will have a full Cabinet

the group are not clear.
The activities of the Stern

Gang were largely responsible for the anti-Jewish sentiment which permeated the British forces in Palestine. Apart from savage attacks on

individual British soldiers and Arab citizens, the gang was also responsible for the assassina-tion of Lord Moyne, the British Minister in Cairo in 1944 and Count Bernadotte, the United Nations mediator, who was shot in 1948 after being sent to Jerusalem to implement the partition of Palestine. Mr Shamir returned after the

operator with a sound base inside the Herut party, Mr Shamir will be taking over the

United Nations resolution 242.

# What should be the cost of a vote?

Pre-campaign and campaign spending in thousands of pounds.

How much did the 1979 election cost?

(Including Regional and Scottish HQs)

Grants to Constituencies

Producing policital broadcash

eaders' tours and meetings

Constituency campaigns (including cost of lost deposits)

Total constituency expenditure

falue of subsidies in kind

Free postage for candidates

(Excluding central campaign

trants to constituencies

🖨 Times Newspaper, 1980

Labour parties by the regional councils. The £360,000 devoted

to these payments was nine times as great as the total spent

by Conservative Central Office

on supporting constituency campaigns. The shaky finances

of Labour's constituency parties resulted from their low mem-

Overall cost-per-vote

(estimated) Free broadcasting time

Total subsidies in kind .

Grand total

Total central expenditure :

(Press) . (Posters)

Cinema

Private opinion polis-Party publications

Last year's general election gave rise once again to widespread criticism of professional political advertising. Conservative Central Office was accused of hiring a commercial publicity agency, Saarchi and Saarchi Garland Compton, to sell the party to the waters like the proverbial tin of baked beans. The implication was that Mrs proverbal the of baked beans. The implication was that Mrs Margaret Thancher became Prime Minister because her party's organization had a larger publicity budget than those of Mr Callaghan or Mr Steel

One reason for the wild spec-ulation about the cost of the Conservatives' national adverrising is that election spending by central party organizations is not directly controlled by law. The strict limits on political spending and the equally stringent rules about reporting expenditures apply only to the 635 separate constituency cam-paigus and only to the short period between the announcement of the election date and the poll. The moneys devoted to general elections by party headquarters have traditionally been closely guarded secrets.

Since the election, the cenral organizations of the three main parties have given me breakdowns of their spending before and during the 1979 campaign. This information (together with statistics of constituency spending compiled by the Home Office) makes it possible, for the first time to assess the overall cost of a British general election. I have British general election. I have also included estimates of the value of the vital subsidies-in-kind received by the political parties—free television and radio time and free postage for parliamentary candidates.

Figures given by Conserv-active Central Office show that it spent about £11m on press, poster about 114m on press, poster and cinema advertisements and a further £425,000 on the preparation of material for party political broadcasts. These various "Saatchi and Saatchi " items totalled nearly £2m. Half the advertising costs (£{m) were incurred during the long run-up to Msy 1979 and half during the five week campaign. The films and tapes made for party political broadcasts in the year before the election cost a hefty £1m and another £149,000 during the campaign. Apart from advertis-ing. Central Office's expenses were small, The costs of Mrs Thatcher's campaign airplane were largely met by the sale of seats to journalists. The party's central election budget totalled slightly under 521m. This was 1! times Labour's central spending.

Central Office's campaign funds came principally from several hundred business con-tributions and from a special appeal to landowners. money was collected without difficulty and provided a surplus for the routine needs of the Tory headquarters. This was fortunate since Central Office had spent fl.4m more than it received during the year before the election and had exhausted its reserves.

> scripts were written by a senior of a Madison Avenue agency

Most of Labour's

Labour headquarters spent £1,366,000 in the election and extra money (about £200,000) was spent by the party's regional councils. The most expensive item—as with the Tories—was publicity. This cost Transport House nearly £ m. Labour used a professional firm to place its press and poster advertising (Bygraves, Bone and Associates); groups of target voters were identified by professional market research (Market & Opinion Research International). After internal wrangling and last minute pres-sure from Mr Callaghan and his team, the preparation of Labour's television broadcasts during the campaign was handed over to an outside group of specialists in television commercials. Most of the scripts vere written by a senior of a Madison Avenue advertising agency (BBDO) and the filming was taken over by commercial film directors. The production costs of Labour's political broadcasts during the campaign amounted to £71,000 compared with the Conservatives

with ... £149,000, There is no basis for a conrast between the Tories'
"Madison Avenue" approach
and the supposedly amateur
style of Transport House. Both style of Transport House. Both parties used the most up-to-date techniques of commercial advertising. The difference was in the scale and duration of their efforts, though the Tory advantage was much less than the 10 to 1 margin claimed the style of th after the election by Transport House. During the run-up to House. During the run-up to the election, the Conservatives spent over three times as much as Labour on national advertising. During the campaign, the Conservatives spent almost twice as much (£743,000 compared with £390,000). Transport House was limited

in the amount it spent on advertising by the need to prop up its constituency organiza-tions. These local subsidies cost Transport House over 5200,000 and about £150,000 more was to constituency

The national budgets of the three parties, taken in isolation, give cause for concern about the existing system of financing general elections. It appears to general elections. It appears to give an unfair advantage to the Tories and to handicap the Liberals. But another picture emerges when account is also taken of constituency spending and of subsidies in kind.

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13.7 million

bership. The average local Labour Party had only 500 members compared with 2,400 for its Conservative counterpart and about 300 members for an average Liberal association. Labour's local weakness recampaign in another way, Labour's parliamentary candid-ates required substantial grants from local trade union branches money that would otherwise have gone to the centre. In the

Conservative Parry, the con-stituency associations were easily able to raise the money needed for local election expenses from individual members and supporters. This allowed most business contributions to go to Central Office. Further Labour handicaps were the traditional over-caution Transport House and of the large unions. Transport House maximum

was reluctant to dip too deeply into the reserves of its special general election fund (which still contained £175,000 at the end of the campaign). The unions contributed less than might have been expected considering the record levels of their political levy funds. These special funds are derived from annual political payments by union members and are used, practice, almost exclusively for Labour Party purposes. Political levy reserves totalled over £4m at the end of 1977 and over 41m at the end of 1978. Labour could easily have outspent the Tories had the main unions been prepared to use these reserves more fully.

Even so, union donations accounted for over 90 per cent of Transport House's election income. Six major unions provided over half the total raised. An unusual contribution of £80,000 came from the League Against Cruel Sports " in appre-ciation of the section of the party manifesto with regard to cruel sports". Apart from the rade unions and the League Against Cruel Sports, other con-tributions amounted to a mere £25,000—2 per cent of the total raised for the election,

The Liberal central campaigns spent slightly over 5200,000—a seventh of Labour's total and an eleventh of the Conservatives' total. The party had no money for private opinion polls or expensive films for its party political broadcasts. Its advertising was minimal. About half the Liberals'

central income for the election came from the Joseph Rowntree came from the Joseph Rownfree Social Service Trust Ltd. This body has become highly influential in the Liberal Party and could be described, in some respects, as an alternative party headquarters. The Rowntree Trust strongly supported the Lib-Lab pact. In 1977, at the time of the pact, it put a political fund of £55,000 at the disposal of David Steel and his parliamentary colleagues. A further £45,000 was added in the months before May 1979. This £100,000 was not included in the Liberal Party organization's normal accounts. It was person-ally controlled by the Liberal leader and the existence of the fund was unknown to most Liberals. About half of it was used for pre-election prepara-tions, particularly for grants to improve organization in Liberalheld seats. The Rowntree Trus gave a further £60,500 for the Liberal election campaign, stipu-lating that it should be used mainly for aid to Liberal can-didates and not for the expenses of the party headquarters. Apart from the Rowntree money, the Liberal Party organization (and the party's independent federaNo party gained any signifi-caut financial advantage in the marginal constituencies. In the 30 most marginal Liberal seats and the 62 closest Conservative/ Labour contests, Liberal and Conservative candidates both spent 91 per cent of the legal maximum and Labour candidates 87 per cent. Throughout the country, Conservatives spent 15 per cent more than their Labour opponents and twice as much as Liberal candi-

> Liberal and Conservative candidates spent 91 per cent of the legal

By far the largest cost of constituency campaigning was printing election addresses and other publicity materials. This consumed nearly 80 per cent of constituency budgets. Each candidate was entitled to the free delivery by the Post Office of one item of election literature usually the candidate's election address) to each elector. This service was worth about £500 per candidate—the cost of a commercial door to door delivery.

Stringent legal restrictions on spending by parliamentary can-didates (first introduced in 1883) have ensured approximate equality between the main paries and have greatly reduced the cost of constituency campaigning. In real terms, candidates in 1979 spent barely a quarter as much as in 1945. An equalization of campaign resources at the national level has also resulted from the growth of television.

British law does not permit political parties to purchase advertising time on radio and television. But the principal par-ties are allotted free time for political broadcasts between elections and during campaigns The time given to each party is decided in informal but tough bargaining in a committee in-cluding representatives of the broadcasting authorities and the main parties. The exact allocations have varied during the past 20 years. The pattern has been consistent. Conservative and Labour have received equal time; the Liberals have been given less time, but about twice the portion to which they would have been entitled if allocations had been based on the percent age of votes received in general

elections. During the eight months before the 1979 campaign, Con-servative and Labour were each entitled to four ten-minute programmes on all three TV channels and the Liberals had two programmes. During the campaigo, the two principal parties each have five tenminute broadcasts and the Liberals three. There were radio slots in addition. The commercial cost of a

minute's advertising on inde-pendent television was about £40,000 in 1979. On this basis, the notional cost of 10 minutes on ITV and the two BBC chan-nels was about 2800,000 and the total cost of party political broadcasts before and during the campaign (excluding radio) was £7.2m for the Conservatives tions and recognized units) and for Labour and £4m for the raised most of their election income from individual donors. broadcasts is diminished fact that they are 10 long. The value of 10 together is less than 10 separate minutes. Res Europe has indicated a most effective length of political broadcast is fo tes. With this in mine of each party political by has been estimated at i This suggests that the value of free election br ing was roughly £1.5m Liberals and £2.7m to C tives and Labour.

That these are not

figures is shown by the

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main parties invested in ing their broadcasts. £400,000 of the Cons election budget was sy this purpose and some party's press advertising the campaign consister simple reminder to ne readers to watch a ferst party political broadcast The value of free sir strikingly large in come with the sums spent central party organizati. the Conservatives barely half the value of exposure which the received on television radio—a facility available party's political opponer simply, it is very diffic a British political party a general election by the most potent medium o communication, televisi not for sale and is as

Parties. The ban on paid tel and radio advertising he account for the re-modest scale of election city by the national organizations. The £15m the Tories and the £0 abour were small by co cial standards and low real terms) than the publicity budgets in 1964

some pre-war campaigus.

Conservative at Labour spent 49p and 47p; vote respectivel The Liberals spe 60p a vote

The Conservative sp. advantage in the 1979 e was almost entirely in the of political advertising. is precisely in this area ti two other parties, and esp the Liberals, benefited subsidies-in-kind. Express terms of costs-per-vote, a cluding the value of free vision time and free posts andidates, Conservative Labour spent 49p and respectively. The Liberals most heavily (60p per This unexpected result is duced because the Libera oyed a disproportionately allocation of broadcasting National political adveris by no means a new I menon in Britain. It westablished part of electing by 1929 and was sophisticated by 1935. It portance is easily cragge Given the limited sums spigolitical publicity and the hibition against paid adw. political publicity and inhibition against paid ading on radio and televish is unlikely that the outer a general election ever has will be determined b idden persuaders.

Pinto-Duschik The author is Professor of ernment and Social Admit tion at Brunel University. C Times Newspapers Lid.

### Fighter says **Eritreans** being ejected

From Ann Fyfe
Dubai, March 9
A forced emigration programme embarked on by
Ethiopia could, if successful. present the world with 3 million Eritrean refugees, Mr Othman Sabbe, an Eritrean guerrilla leader, said in Abu Dhabi yesterday Mr Sabbe, is the chairman

of the central committee of the Eritrean Liberation Front-Popular Forces which is Muslim, conservative and more Eritrean movements. He said that Ethiopia had begun resending thousands of Ethioman families in the Eritrean capital of Asmara and in the two Red Sea ports of Asab and

Massawa
The Palestine tragedy was repeating itself, he added, and 3 million Eritreans would flood Ethiopian project succeeded.

Mr Sabbe told the Abu
Dhabi newspaper Al Ittihad
that the Soviet Union was trying to control the Horn of
Africa

What was being called "the progressive solution "would in practice turn out to be "a Marxist union", Mr Sabbe the Arab world with as great a danger from across the Red Sea as that posed by Israel.

#### Dalai Lama to continue exile

Delhi, March 9.—The Dalai Lama, who has been invited by China to return to Tibet, said today he would wait and watch to what extent Chinese leaders improved conditions there.

In a statement marking the twenty-first anniversary of the 1959 uprising against Chinese rule, from which he fled, the Dalai Lama said: "The limited leniency that the Chinese have introduced is a welcome first step. But we are still nowhere new being sattsfied that the Liberary in Tiber are content."

# Prisoners of conscience



By Caroline Moorehead

Rudolph Bahro, the East German dissident and author of The Alternative, was released from Bautzen 11 in October ununder a general amnesty, having served barely a year of an eightyear sentence for "the accumulation and dissemination of information not in the interest of the state". Last week he visited

Herr Bahro is a slight man in his middle farties. He pushed hard to have himself convicted. he says: the authorities would have preferred not to have had to recognize him but, once he had published a best-selling critique of the East German Communist Party, they had no

He is a man of politics, and as such rather remarkable among the better-known dissident writers and intellectuals who have left the Warsaw Pact

countries. "I was born at Bad Flinsberg, in what is now Poland. I be-came a member of the party in 1952, before my seventeenth birthday, and went to Humboldt University to study philosophy. In 1959 I became the editor of

some seven or eight communi-From there, still in .my capacity as party member. I moved to Griefswald to edit the university newspaper, and then the SED (the ruling party) brought me to Berlin to the central executive of the Scientists' Trade Union. In 1965 I was

# East Germany: Rudolph Bahro

youth organization paper."
It was here that what Herr Babro calls his "political naiveté" was lost, "I didn't like the postures, the bureau-cratic rules of the game."

Realizing that he was running a risk, he published a piece by Volker Braun that was immediately attacked as giving a false picture of the working classes. Herr Bahro was dismissed.

\* My relations with the party were still quite fraternal. They let me edit a bit at home until my contract expired, then appointed me sociologist in an en-gineering office of the rubber industry practising a sort of management consultancy."

The events of 1968 were de-cisive for Herr Bahro: Dubcek in Czechoslovakia, the Tet offensive in Vietnam, the Chinese Cultural Revolution and the May uprising in Paris. Herr Bahro's break with the party became final.

For the first time since this series began on March 8, 1976, The Times is today publishing an interview with a prisoner of conscience after his release.

"I concluded definitely that there was a difference between actually existing socialism in the GDR and Marxist socialism. How, I asked myself, can we achieve real socialism? I realized that the days of friendly criticism ware over these feet. criticism were over, those for a frontal critique had arrived." Herr Babro did not break openly with the party. He decided to work conscientiously at his job-he is critical of

writers as purasites—and writes at night. (In 1977 he was

commended as a

His writing became first a dissertation on the formation of specialists in state enterprises, then a criticism of political bureaucracy, explaining why the Russian Revolution was a historical necessity, but pro-posing a truly Marxist alternative to the subsequent evolu-tion of political thought. His book was smuggled out to Frankfurt. Before it appeared,

Herr Bahro gave an interview to Der Spiegel; within 24 bours he was arrested.

They asked me whether I wished to leave the country. I said no. So they had no choice but to bring me to trial." Herr Bahro's interrogation lasted nearly a year, most of it spent in solitary confinement in the Ministry of Internal Security. His trial was over in two days. Not wishing to draw attention to the inflammatory nature of Herr Bahro's attack, the State accused him not of treason but of "writing about East Germany for personal

Baumen 11 is near Dresden. It is a special prison for about 150 maximum-security political prisoners. Herr Bahro says he was treated "with pedantic correctness", and worked 421 hours a week making electrical

Switches. After a letter was smuggled out and published in Der Spiegel, his cell was stripped. He went on a 31-day hunger strike in protest; after the first six days he was force-fed. Soon after a second letter was smuggled out, the East

German Government declared a general amnesty for prisoners. Under it 20,000 people were released, among them Herr Babro. On October 11, 1979, he left Bautzen 11, and six days later-was on a train to Hansver. He has now become a member of the West German ecology party, the Green Party, and her taken

up a fell University. a fellowship at Bremen "I will go on working," he says, "towards a fundamental reformation of all Soviet

the Green Party, and has taken

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**Football** 

# The way is paved for north-south final

Football Correspondent Of the four semi-final round teams, neatly divided between the cities of Liverpool and London, only Everton have not appeared in an FA Cup final during the last fire years. They were the surprising team of the sixth round from which also emerged Liverpool, who can win the double; Arsenal, who did so nine years ago, and who can win the definite; Assembly who did so mine years ago, and could return to Wembley for the third successive season; and West Ram United, outsiders on the basis of current residence in the period division rather than actual ability.

Tactfully, the winning managers declined to name their name declined to name their preferences in today's draw which, with the help of fortune, could pave the way for a north-south final. A one-city climax is never quite the one-city climax is never quite me same. West Ham were involved in the last one in 1975 when they beat Fulham in a disappointing game, but these events are rare. It requires no poll of the nation's uncommitted to discover that Liverpool and Arsenal are now favourites to be at Wembley on May 10.

Footballers talk about their hunches as much as spectators and journalists. Tottenham's spoke of having their club's name "written on the Cup" this sea-sod, but it was all so much hocus pocus so far as their opponents,

Liverpool, were concerned. The champion erased the writing with one decisive stroke of the foot by McDermott and a lot of durable, practical football that kept White Hart Lane. from being the cauldron of sound and excitement that was expected.

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ment that was expected.

Tottenham are not the most well-balanced or reliable team in the land, but neither are they as spiritless as they finally appeared on Saturday. They had their ambition driven our by this remorseless Liverpool side who could afford to miss three or four unobscured chances and still finish comfortably in charge. Several things went wrong for

Spurs in a short space of the first 15 minutes. Hoddle, who had been in doubt because of a hamstring injury, could not resist stretching for a ball that he should have ignored, and from that moment he played uneasily. Soon afterwards a rough tackle on Souness provoked a retailatory hack at Villa, who was clearly hurt and left the field after only 16 minutes. There was no official caution from the referee, although the tactical effect of Villa's loss contributed to the collapse of Tottenham's will, even if the manager, Keith Burkinshaw, magnanimously said it had no effect on the result. Sours in a short space of the first

effect on the result. Liverpool's dedicated patience and progressive domination of midfield brought the inevitable re-

McDermott from 25 yards, but its preparation was inadvertently offered by the clever, but here below-par, Ardiles. He was pressed into a tight situation with his back to the goal-line. A Jesser player would have acted safely, tapping the ball to his left to concede a throw-in, but Ardiles tried to give the throw to his own team by playing off the legs of Case. He missed Case and gave McDermott possession. The dipping shot confused Daines and dropped under the bar at the far corner.

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By moving Perryman into the By moring. Perryman into the stack, Totterham made themselves more active in Liverpool's half but it was activity without authority, and though Hoddle did force one difficult falling save from Clemence, the score should have been advanced by Dalglish who, not completely fit, failed to finish some fine work by McDermott and Souness.

Johnson was left to take forward responsibility and seemed to have regained his confidence after that awful collision at Wembley when playing for England Generally, the whole Liverpool team bar Dziglish appeared to be moving towards their best form. It will

Ham need have no fear

take a mighty effort to dislodge them from their dual intent.

In the shadow of more glamorous events, league football quietly went about its normal business. It was too normal for Bolton Wanderers who thought they had seen a glimpse of the san last week when heading Notringham Forest. On Saturday they lost 3—1 at Crystal Palace while their former fellow residents of the basement, Brighton, moved further into the safe regions with a 2—2 draw at Norwich for whom Reeves was making his last appearance before being transferred to Manchester City.

The second division could become a clearer race this week after Chelsea have played at Birmingham's defeat at Shrewsbury was unsettling although they still have games in hand. Luton and Leicester dropped points and seem to be feeling the strain while Chelsea went down the road to Fulham and took the victory they expected with two goals from Walker. Poor Fulham have not won for 12 games. Most Londoners have a soft spot for them but they have too many of their own.

TOTTENNAM HOTSPURE & Daines. By Stuart Jones
West Ham 1

"Come on, now, it's time to go home". The plea from the tamoy went unheeded as down below a sea of claret and blue splashed over the Upton Park turf. West Ham United's supporters were not to be denied their moment of triumph, a moment for which they had waited, auticipated and then lost all hope. The hand of fate, on the end of McNaught's arm, had given it to them with only a minute left. Their joy and their relief was unconfined.

West Ham, though, had overum another first division side (West Bromwich Albion had been removed at the first hurdle) with a display that was worth not only a place in the last four of the FA Cup but also a place on the top shelf next season. All that was missing was the final touch. It almost cost them dearly on Saturday. It may cost them more dearly by May.

John Lyall, their mauager, described one of the moves, when half a dozen casual flicks took the hall some 60 yards with bewildering speed as the best he had seen at the ground. Aston Villa's defence may have started with two significant holes in the absence of Evans and Swain but many more tears had been made in it by the interval.

Rimmer alone kept Villa within sight of a replay. Twice he parried fierce drives from Brooking and Devonshire and twice he thwarted Cross ar close range. Parkes, a relatively lonely figure at the other end, had but one awkward moment when a Little header flashed over the bar. Yet West Ham's frustration grew as time and chances passed by.

Middield, their own territory in the first half, began to be bypassed and Villa's youngsters looked to have survived the ordeal—until Brooking's fateful corner. The referee was one of the few to see McNaught's fist rise above a clutch of heads and the protests did not help Stewart's composure. He had needed a rebound to score from the penalty spot the previous week but here he thumped it home in the manner of Hurst.

Villa, whose minds had never been set on offence, had too little time to change their ways. Regarded by many as the dark ho

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#### Arsenal's will to win just enough to beat Watford

Like someone returning to the same holiday resort every season. Arsenal looked a trifle bored on Saturday at the prospect of taking their bucket and spade back to Wembley for the third consecutive year. At least it should all have been new and challenging to Wat-ford but, as Terry Neill, the Arsenal manager, sald, instead we had a match between a side who looked as though they did not want to win and one who did not think they could win.

As an FA Cup sixth round tie

As an FA Cup sixth round tie it had all the right ingredients: a successful small club taking on nearby big London brothers in their own backyard. Yet, strangely it was devoid of passion; the smell of tension and excitement in the streets failed to waft over Waiford's low walls and on to the Vicarage Road pitch.

Watford knew their station and only pecked occasionally at the order of things—as when Jenkins plopped a header over Jennings only to miss the goal and, more pointedly, when Poskett bypassed Nelson with a cross which left Blissetr with little to do except score. But he missed. This chance, soon forgotten then in the bustle of further business, was remembered vividly much later.

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Watford kept trying to wriggle through the red and white shirts with a deflection here, a knock on there, but Arsenal always seemed to get a boot in the way. It was a little ironic that Arsenal should go ahead with just such a goal four minutes into the second half. Price clumped a clearance back into the goalmouth and Stapleton with his back to goal,

That man Ball

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By Tom German

rolling along

Leeds United 2 Southampton 0 They came to assess the new

and stayed to admire the old at

and stayed to admire the old at Elland Road. The lure was Parlanc, Leeds United's capture from Rangers, who at first glimpse looked a worth while investment at £200,000 once a goal had settled his apprehension and lent assurance to his stride. Using the same measure it will be difficult to put a valuation on

be difficult to put a valuation on Ball, even in the last breath of his playing days with Southampton.

playing days with Southampton.

His play seems to have lost nothing of its edge with the passing years; nor has his tongue, for that matter. He was shown the yellow card early on for protesting too passionately when Channon was judged guilty of a foul as he firmly headed in a centre from Baker. Thereafter, Bail's behaviour and performance were impeccable; the familiar bobbing figure was everywhere, always in space to collect the hall

always in space to collect the ball

and eager to receive it, invari-ably finding his mark with a pass-

His work deserved better finishing from his colleagues.

There, in fact, lay the principal difference between the sides. Leeds seized their chances better.

FA Cup: sixth round

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Watford, throwing men forward but seldom with much conviction, then fell to the sucker punch, delivered with a cool efficiency that overshadowed the sidil. Frice, again, was the source with a quick ball through the midfield zone to Brady, who, in that measured way which seems to leave nothing to chance, clipped it perfectly round a defender for Stapleton to home in on with quartz timing and tuck it neatly away. Stapleton. as Mr Neill says, is as reliable and regular as Monday, Tuesday. Wednesday. Rostron, playing against his old

Rostron, playing against his old firm, will have gained some pleasure from the hoisted cross which confused the Arsenal defence and allowed the peralstent Poskett to crash in a simple goal 12 minutes from time. It brought the attention of Watford supporters, idly thinking about the evening's television, back to the afternood for a few midutes of more make believe before saying goodbye to the yellow brick road. road, WATFORD: E. Sierle; M. Henderson, S. Flarrison : sub, M. Patching:, D. Rooth, S. Sims, I. Bolton, L. Bilssett, M. Packett, R. Jenkins, R. Train, W. ostron.
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Today's fixtures Kick-off 7.30 unless stand, FIRST DIVISION: Asion VIIIA V Wolverhampion wanderers, THIRD DIVISION: Mansflold Town V

# Adversity at Merseyside gives way to prosperity

By Vince Wright
Everton 2 Ipswich 1
Everton caused orguebly the
biggest upset of the FA Cup sixth Ipswich 1 biggest upset of the FA Cup sixth round on Saturday to reach the last four with a display which warmed the hearts of the Goodison Park faithful. Ipswich Town, striving to increase their unbeaten run to 17 metches and absurdly easy 4—0 winners at Everton last month, could have no complaints the cuttorne. easy 4—1 withers at Everton as about the outcome.

The scenes at the end were such that one might have thought that Everton had won the trophy itself but the supporters' joy was understandable for Everton have given them so little to cheer this season. With Liverpool winning at Tottenham there is the fascinating prospect of an all-Merseyside final.

Everton's victory was a good example of adversity being turned to advantage. They were without three midfield players—Hartford and Ross, who were suspended, and Nulty, who was injured—yet they played with an unflinching resolve which must have delighted their manager, Gordon Lee.

Saturday's heroes were Lyons, Everton's captain and a commanding figure at the centre of their defence, Wood the goslkeeper, and Gidman who was down as right defence, Wood the goalkeeper, and Gldman who was down as right back in the club programme but played everywhere but in that position. A special mention, too, for Latchford and Kidd who worked tirelessly in attack as well as scoring goals good enough to grace Wembley.

Inswich were marginally the better team in the first half but the half-time interval seemed to sap their energy and dull their ambition. Players like Gates, Mills and Thijssen, so impressive in the early stages, did not regain

their appetite for action until it was too late.

Three chances fell to Ipswich in the opening half hour and on another day Gates, Wark and Mariner might all have scored. Then Wood saved well from Brazil before Everton took the lead with an old fashioned centre forward's goal. Gidman's perfect centre from the left drifted over Burcher's head to the waiting Latchford whose powerful header itashed just inside the far post. This was after 29 minutes.

In the second half Everton built their attacks with more imagination, were more coordinated in midfield and their defence allowed Ipswich fewer clear-cut opportunimidfield and their defence allowed Ipswich fewer cloar-cut opportunities. A second goal looked increasingly likely and it came 13 minutes from time. Osman fouled Kidd just outside the penalty area and when King tapped the free kick sideways Kidd's feft-foot drive scorched past Cooper.

That, it seemed, was that but with the seconds ticking away Ipswich were given a ray of hope by their substitute Beattle who headed in a corner. The final minute was frantic with Everton's penalty area looking like Oxford

penalty area looking like Oxford Circus in the rush hour. However, they survived—and deserved to. EYERTON: G. Wood, J. Gidmen, J. salloy, W. Wright, M. Lyona, P. asioc, G. Mrgson, A. Kings, R. Laichord, B. Kidd, J. McBride... IPSWICH TOWN: P. Cooper, G. Burry, M. Mills, F. Thilseen, R. Osman, Butcher, J. Wark (sub. K. Bestite., Muhren, P. Mariner, A. Brazi, E. attes.

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Ray Hankin, Leeds United's transfer-listed striker, had talks this weekend with the North American champions, Vancouver



Parlane, Leeds United's most recent acquisition, marks his first appearance for the club with their second goal in a 2-0 win over Southampton at Elland Road.

to a Leeds front line relatively short on inches, cleanly headed in the first himself from Gray's cross after 26 minutes and 10 minutes later another high ball from the same source was headed on by Hart to Parlane who tucked it away at the second

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Leeds seized their chances better. Southampton's big central defenders, Watson and Nicholl, may have some difficulty explaining to their manager. Lawrie McMenemy, how one of the two men in the Yorkshire side with any reach in the air twice found himself with room to take a stroll in that critical area around goal. Each time a goal was the result. Hart, stealing up to lend height attempt. To be so far behind was a bit harsh on Southampton. They started with style but a goal cluded them. Channon misdirected a header then was unfortunate as he thundered a shot against the

bar. Hebberd could not make the same excuse when the rebound came invitingly to him; he trundled the ball tamely wide. Baker, who often came through strewdly, once shot against Lukic's boots and Boyer did manage to get the ball in the ner near the end but was ruled offside. Both sides put a lot into the match. Leeds scarcely seemed de-

prived by the absence of a crop of regulars through injury. They covered well when they had to and, in attack, Connor was reminding

Scottish FA Cup

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us by the end what a slippery customer he promises to be. The lingering recollection though will be of a chunky little man with red hair with ambition to put as much into the manager's job at Blackpool as he has done out on the field throughout his career. LEEDS UNITED: J. Luffe; R. Hird.
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substituted in the second, for tactical reasons.

First division Berwick made their premier division visitors light hard and thoroughly deserved the draw, although it was a poor match with much negative football.

Rangers scored all seven goals in their 6—1 win over Hearts at Ibrox Park. Tom Forsyth, the Rangers defender, scored an own goal after little more than a minute, but, by half time, the home side led 2—1 and they added four goals in the second half. Rangers' goalscorers were: Cooper, Jardine. Russell, John McDonald (2) and Johnstone.

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his more illustrious partner behind.

Brooking's fitness is not complete but when he eventually departs, West Ham already have a smithle

West Ham already have a suimble replacement. And in Stewart, a young Scot who reads the game and steps in at the opportune moment, they also now have an able substitute for Moore.

Scoting will be their problem in the semi-final round, as it will be for the rest of their League programme. Too heavy a burden is being carried by Cross, whose

is being carried by Cross, whose bruised knee dulled his edge here.

But that is all for tomorrow. As darkness fell on the East End's Saturday, the sound of "Bubbles"

floated as far as the ears could

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WEST HAM UNITED: P. Pzikes: F. Lampard. P. Brush. R. Strwart. A. Martin. A. Devonshire. P. Allen. S. Pearson. D. Cross. T. Brooking. C. Pike.

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# Argentina celebrate an historic victory

Buenos Aires, March 9.—Argentina today defeated the United States in the American zone Davis Cup final when Guillermo Vilas beat John McEnroe and gave his country an unassailable 3—1 lead. Vilas beat the United States No. 1.6—2, 4—5, 6—3, 2—5, 6—4. On Saturday José-Luis Clerc beat McEnroe, 6—3, 6—2, 4—6, 13—11, to give Argentina a 2—0 lead following Vilas's 7—5, 6—4, 6—3 win over Brian Gotthried in the opening singles. The United States then took the doubles. Clerc gave McEnroe his first defeat in 12 Davis Cup singles matches. McEnroe made a bad start when the match was resumed after being left unfinished on Friday at the end of the third set. The American lost the first two games, and though he fought back The American lost the first two games, and though he fought back well, he had to save match points in the tenth and twelfth games to stay in the match. Defeat was only delayed. Clerc, pounding away at McEnroe's backband, finally triumphed in the 24th game and dozens of spectators invaded the court to hug, kiss and embrace bim.

him.

McEnroe had been given a torrid time by the crowd, who frequently jeered and booed him while raucously cheering the most minor success by Clerc. Vibra had micen three hours to beat Gottfried but three hours to beat Gottfried but raurously cheering the most minor success by Clerc. Vibes had taken three hours to beat Gottfried but the second singles lasted 6½ hours, spread over two days. In contrast the players galloped through the doubles in an hour and a half. McEnroe recovered from defeat to join Peter Flaming against Ricardo Cano and Carlos Gattiker, who looked out of their class in the first two sets. They rallied bravely in the third but hardly stretched the efficient United States par who won 6—0, 6—1, 6—4.

France took a winning 3—0 lead over Finland in the European zone 8 quarter-finals when Jean-Louis Halliett and Gilles Moreton defeated Leo Palin and Joakim Berner 0—6, 6—1, 6—4, 6—4 in the doubles match. France go forward to meet Czechoslovakia.

Swimming Miss Reinisch shows the style of a true champion it was their supposed second-string, Arsen Miskarov, who drew this eyes. He led from the start and From Athole Still

Leningrad, March 9 Leningrad, March 9
The three-day match between the national teams of the Soviet Union and East Germany ended here today in victory for the Russians by 185 points to 159, their eleventh who in 19 meetings. After the superb effort of the first two days, which produced three European and one world record, it would have been only a fitting climax had some of the final events also been crowned with that same distinction but it was not to be.

same distinction but it was not to be.

It is always pleasing to witness a new record, but an even greater pleasure is to witness the birth of a new star. The name is Rica Reinisch, a mere 14 years of age, from Dresden, who won the 100 metres women's backstroke with immaculate style in the third fastest time ever recorded (lusin 02.44secs), and that including an untidy, glide finish. Only her legendary compatriots. Utrike Richter, the world record-holder (1-01.51) and Kornelia Ender (1-01.52) have swum faster, and they are both safely in retirement. Miss Reinisch has improved pradigiously from 20th in the world last year, but even her performance in Texas in January, when she was second (1-03.74) behind the weald charming Linda least she was second (1-03./4) befined the world champion. Linda jezek (1-03.15) of the United States, did not prepare us for the excellence of today's masterplece. Great interest centred on the

Greet interest centred on the two breaststroke events, which seemed to hold the strongest possibility of world records. In the 200 metres event for men we were easer to evaluate Robert Schulpa (USSR), who came within .25 of a second of David Wilkie's world record (2-15.11) in this pool two weeks earlier, the second fastest time ever swum. two weeks earlier, the second fastest time ever swum. But such is, the strength and depth of Soviet breaststrokers that

Gymnastics : Miss Jones's Predictably Rangers, Celtic and Aberdeen qualified for the semi-final round of the Scottish FA Cup on Saturday. In the fourth cuarter-final match, at Berwick, the bome team drew 0—0 with Hiberman, for whom George Best played in the first half but was substituted in the second, for tactical reasons. sights on

Olympic place Denise Jones, aged 17, staked her claim to one of Britain's two Olympic places with a sound allround display in the international matches, sponsored by Gold Top, at Wambley on Saturday. Miss Jones and Suzanne Dando, aged 18, were the outstanding performers in an otherwise disappointing night for British gymnastics. The women lost to Hungary, seventh in the recent world championships, and the men were resoundingly beaten by a below-strength United States.

States.

Miss Jones, who three years ago Miss Jones, who three years ago won a scholarship for special coaching in Moscow, and Miss Dando produced consistent performances, with Miss Jones getting top marks on the beam, at which she is national champion, and the floor. They finished equal third in the overall placings. The Hungarians won the march by 185.95 marks to 183.25.

The American men, who finished third in the world chamlonships, brought an experimental side but were still good chough to win by more than seven marks. Only Tommy Wilson was equal to the task and he led the British team in four of the six disciplines to finish a credinable third overall; but he had no real support and the Americans won by 172.30 to 265.25.

Britain can send two men and

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#### Barrington keeps the customers satisfied

Squash rackets

Phil Dent steered Australia to an unessallable three-one lead over New Zealand in the eastern zone Enal and a place against the winners of the European zone A. Dent wrapped up the tie by beating New Zealand's Chris Lewis in straight sets 6—4, 6—3, 6—2 in the first of the reverse singles. Dent secured the vital break in the tenth game to take the first set 6—4 and then walked away with the match. The tie finished on an amazing note with the first set of the final singles match lasting 46 games. John Alexander finally won the set against Russell Simpson 24—22. Officials then reluctantly called an end to play in the final.

Romania beat Austria 3—2 in By Rex Bellamy
Souash Rackets Correspo
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have a disappointingly sho
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were made to transfer fr
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because Barrington won the
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before Hunt rook it 9-6.
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championship six times a
bough match was a remisome of the high point
rivalry that has spanned
15 years.

A more detailed analysis
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Romania beat Austria 3—2 in the European Zone B quarter-final in Sucharest and now meet Britain in the semi-finals. After Austria had taken one of the two first two singles and lost the doubles, the experienced Hans Karv dragged his country back to 2—2 after a five-hour match with Florien Segarceanu, aged 17. which the Austrian won 6—1. 3—6, 2—6, 15—13, 7—5. Then hie Nastase trashed Robert Reininger, substituting for the indured Austrian number one Peter Feigl, in straight sets 6—3, 6—3.

Heide Guenthardt (Switzerland) in straight sets 5-3, 5-3, 5-3.

Helox Guenthardt (Switzerland)
beat Hungary's Zoltan Kuhartaky
6-1, 6-2, 6-4 in the final
singles match in Zurich to gain
his country a 3-2 win in their
Europesu zone A quarter-final. It
is the first time Switzerland have
reached the semi-finals of the
Davis Cap. They will travel to
meet Italy nest June.

West Germany won the last two

meet Italy next June.

West Germany won the last two singles to gain a 3—2 victory over Spain in their European zone A quarter-final in Valencia. Ulrich Pinner beat Jose Hägneras 6—4. 6—3, 6—3 and Rolf Geiring defeated Fernando Luna 3—6. 6—3, 6—3, 6—3. West Germany go forward to play Sweden.—Reuter.

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Ice skating

Wilkie's Olympic schedule at half distance.

A new world record was also on the cards in the women's breaststroke sprint, which brought East Germany's brilliant all-rounder, Petra Schneider, into direct comfrontation with Lina Kahcushite (USSR) the world 200 metres champion and recordiolder: Miss Schneider set off with all the verve and commitment which brought her the 400 metres individual medicy world record yesterday, and at the 50 metres mark she led the Russian girl by a a good half-metre.

The redonbubble Lina turned brilliantly, however, and was level with 30 metres to go. Over the Champions pa out of world pairs ev

Dortmund March 9
Rodnina of the Soviet Uni
overwhelming favourite to
world figure skating pair
with her husband in Do
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She fell while training i
cow 10 days ago and an
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healed. Her withdrawal a
of her husband, Alexander
robs her of the chance brilliardly, however, and was level with 30 metres to go. Over the final 20 metres her long, low stocke powered her ahead RESULIS: Women S. 10000 backstroke: 1. M. tockes 10000 backstroke: 1. M. Kachushite (1958) 1-11.86; 2. P. Schneiner 186; 1-11.

The Soviet pair's closest The Soviet pair's closest the Americans, Tai Babilor Raudy Gardner, had airead drawn from the competiticause of an injury to Gard. Today's withdrawal was a blow to Miss Rodnina, the successful figure skater of a who planned to how out sport after the champio which begin here on Timper Perhaps we could have a which begin here on it.
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but our performance woul
tainly not have been as it
be", Miss Rodnina said.
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to our career."—Reuter.

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Francis fires Guildford into last four

By Sydney Friskin Gaildford 2 Gaildford 2 Brooklands I
The club championship hockey
match at Guildford yesterday, not
particularly soul-stirring, was
spared the burdens of extra time
by Nell Francis. His goal, with
barely three minutes left, ended
the hopes of Brooklands and put
the home side in the semi-final
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At first it looked as if Gulldford were going to be too good for Brooklands, who had few answers to Cottrell's stickwork and acceleration; but they got into the game in the second half and, after drawing level, had a reasonable chance of winning. In the end, however, they were under pressure and held out as long as they did because of a superb display in goal by Lye, the England under-21 goalkeeper.

Peat was full of vigour on Guidford's left wing and his first minute shot, which hit the side netting, sounding a note of warning. Still, it was only after Wright had saved a strong hit from a short corner, taken by Singleton, that Guildford scored in the twenty-first minute through Carley from a similar award.

Foster started the Brooklands revival in the twelfth minute of the second half, with a push into the circle to earn a short corner. Singleton's shot was well saved by Wright but the follow-up by Abbot was interrupted by a foot on the line and Abbot himself converted the penaity stroke—albeit a feeble one which just slid under the diving goalkeeper.

Brooklands, inspired by a spark-ling run on the left by Buchan, threatened to score again particularly from two short corners, both well saved by Wright. Then Pinks, with a thigh heavily bandaged because of an injury received from a domestic appliance, mustered his forces and Guilfford regained the linkative.

Three shots from short corners, all struck by Carley, were saved by Lye. Another shot was smothered at the top of the circle before Carley took a free hit near the corner. Eng. Several Sticks-failed to intercept and Francis swept the ball over the line to send Guilfford through.

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Mrs Robinson puts icing on English cal

By Joyce Whitehead
England 2, Scotland 8
England played their best
at Wembley stadium for
years on Saturday, Despite
rain on Friday the pitch v
good as it has ever best
England won with a goal in
half.
Valerie Robinson (He
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Valerie Robinson (He shire), playing in her 122nd for England, scored a perfect in the second half. She ret the ball 30 yards from the start speed, eluded the orion, then steadied herself, with great control put the carefully into the back onet. Only a few weeks ago I said that Mrs Robinson was best forward in the world, her goas on Saturday was her goal on Saturday was of her skill.

Throughout the match Sct were on the defensive, and marking was keen, partitionally that of Moira Kerr, the Carting was been with the continuous was been as the continuous was a second to be continuous was a second to that of Moira Kerr, the ca who shadowed Mrs Robinson much of the game. English backs and goalkeeper had an afternoon, Scotland were awn only two corners and there just one uneasy moment for England in the first had. Scotland, like Wales the before, were well briefed it fensive tactics, and finty Ste-in their goal, made three-saves. Bur on Saturday, Eng-fiddied less, and produced a b game. There were moments the centre of the field looked an ants' nest, and there we wast unfilled space on Engli-right wing, but when the pli-as last trusted one another, an ing moves took shape. as last trusted one another, an ing moves took shape. The England half back played well, and Susan Sioto (Somerset) brought the gamelife when she scored from corner in the first half. A Grimley (Leicestershire) put ball in the net early in the set half, but the goal was disalfor offside. The interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the interest of the 66,001 porters was sustained to the 66,001 po Durgh.

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# Biggar of England match

By Izin Mackenzie By lain Mackenzie

Scottand have dropped their captain Mike Biggar, for the final international of the season, the Galcutta Cop match against England at Muzayfield on Saturday, He is replaced by Gala's David Leslie. So from having no players in the side five weeks ago, the prospective champions now have three in the pack.

three in the pack.

The new captain is Andy Irvine who has been far from his best this season, and once again the Scoroish selectors have lived up to their eputation as the most consistent producers of surprises in British hree in the pack.

producers of surprises in British ngby.

Irvine, playing again at full back n spite of medifore performances against Ireland and Wales, and the ast few minutes apart, an appaing one against France, is given its thirty-seventh cap for Scotland. He is mature enough to captain the ide but there is a sneaking susticion that, this season at least its selection owes as much to eputation as ability.

He is his country's third captain his season, McLaughlan of Jordannil, once again on the replaceness, bench at the age of 37, was aptain against New Zealand. The ondon Scot, Biggar, has been in harge since them. To where, from sere, one, wonders, levine's produced to the producers of the producers in the season.

harge-since then. To where, from tere, one, wonders, hvine's hppointment may be for no other eason final the unsuitability of nost of the team to lead. It could be more permanent, but the player timed will not be depending on that

hat. The relegation of Riggar (how The relegation of Biggar (how one has it been since there was no player from the Richmond thiesis Ground in the Scottish (V?) is one of only two changes in the side well beaten at Cardeff. Iryan Gossman (West of Scottish) has many claims to his blace, at stand-off half, but pre-creace is given to Rutherford of letkirk, now recovered from an like injury.

telkirk, now recovered from an nice minny.
Laidlaw (Jedforest) is retained at scrum half after his departure with injury from the national radium puth and Lawson Heriot's) returns to the side ines. Laidlaw's chances of eplacing the older man permannly, in sporting terms, in the icoursh side are now better than ten. The nne doubt for Saturday s Lawrie the hooker, who took a nock on the knee against Merose t the weekend. If he is unfit, isher of Waterloo who would be the only Anglo-Scot. will leputize.

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usman (West of Scotland), J. S.

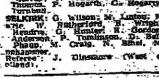
rasman (West of Scotland).

awick to accept second best, has season, probably, if will be cessary, with Gala still favorities to win the National League Scotland. Yet, with typical stermination, Hawick stormed a last Saturday to stay within riking distance, should Gala II at the last fence. Playing in green and white open shers for the first time, a world a colour clash. Hawitk vamped Selkirk, who are move to points clear of rivals at the rong and of the table. Hawitk ere three tries to the good after I minutes, 24—6 shead at halfme, and won eventually by three tals, four tries and two penalty als to a goal, a try and a opped goal.

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e younger man Su yarus rather i, one felt that his day must ! far from over. Against Selkirk, Remwick contract his own my and kicked a maity goal. Taylor, on one wing, ored times tries, and McCarmey i the other, from Easton's Continuion comprised a try, a penalty ial, and two conversions. Hunter myerted his own try for Selkirk, whom Hendele dropped: a goal id, in injury time, Linton acored its.



# Scots drop | Gloucester find little pleasure in Park

By Peter West

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Rugby Correspondent
Gloucester 3 Rosslyn Park 6
The presence of three London
clubs in this morning's draw for
the semi-final round of the John
Player Cup not only ensures that
one of them will be fepresented
at the Twickenham climax on April
15 but will be seen by the metropolls as adequate refort to suggestions about "southern softies"
which tend to emenate from north
and west of Watford. However at
least one of the three. Rosslyn
Park, will concede that they
emerged unstathed from their first
visit to Kingsholme on Saturday as
much because of Gloucester's
failure to take their chances as of
their own admirable resilience.
On a day when the going was
distinctly sticky and the ball heavy
making possession not always an
unqualified blessing—the Park
rode out an early and protracted
storm to win a flercely contested
but wholesome game, calmly
refereed by David Hudson, by two
penalty goals to one.
In such conditions it was fronte
that Gloucester had brought in
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options from the back and left out
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withins to widen their attacking options from the back and left out that voratious goalicker, Butler, who now watched Greenhalgh landing two bandsome goals in as many attempts for the Park, and Russell (three drop shots included) enjoying but one success in seven for the home side.

These were not the only frustrations for a side playing in unfamiliar mustard yellow and clearly bent on giving their visitors the hottest welcome. With Blakeway and company subjecting the Park forwards to unaccustomed indignities in the tight—a process maintained throughout the game—and, with Fidler withing the early lineouts, Gloucester drove furiously into ruck and maul—and spent almost all of the first half in or around their opponents 22.

In the imbulent early phase, Park made life more difficult for themselves with some indifferent kicking, whether to touch or at frequent drop-outs. Yet Gloucester could not translate all their

pressure into points, and it was Park who led at the interval 3—0, thanks to one of the rare occa-tions when they got into the other half of the field.

Park's all-round defence, nowhere more marked than in the middle of the field, was redoubtable. In the first half it needed to be, for they had no other options. There were thundering close calls were markly when close calls, most potably when Tunstall on Gloucester's left wing, lost the ball as he went over by the flag. There was another in the second half when the ubiquitous Warkins, whose hands, alas, were too often fallible, missed a were too often fallible, missed a little overlap for Gloucester on the right and McKay made a critically important tackle.

Shortly after the interval Park had their one and only chance of a rry when Bate tame through from full back but was unable to hold a pass. Gloucester, having spurned a kickable penalty, at last got one through Russell. But by then there had been a significant shift in the balance at the lineout, the Park were giving at least out, the Park were giving at least as good as they got in the loose and their half backs had found

as good as they got in the loose and their half backs had found poise and control.

Gloucester lost a lot of hall on their own throws and Park, on theirs, garnered much useful possession at the tall from Ripley whose rousing performance in the loose must have impressed a large host of Gloucester supporters now resigned to a belief that it was not going to be their day.

Some while before no vide it was apparent that for all Mogg's arcing runs in the ceutre, Gloucester had shot their bolt and were being contained at a comfortable arm's length. There were about five minutes left when their midfield fell offeside and Greenhalgh kicked his second goal.

GLOUCESTER: I. withins: R. Clewes (captain; R. Mogg, D. Pointon, P. Tomatal; B. Russol). Savier. G. Rossiy, P. Perfield, D. McKay; J. Thermon. D. Cullon; R. Barlow. P. Keth-Rosch (capialn; N. Rinton, A. Roders, P. Ackford, S. Johason, A. Riofey. N. Mantell.

Referoe: D. Rudson (Manchester).



## Bath's mistakes help Irish into unknown territory

Inock on the knoze against Melrose
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be only Anglo Scot. will
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SCOTLAND: A R. hvine. Hartor's
P. Caplain! K. W. Robertson Meltonin Player Cup win, by a goal
to a penalty goal, took them into
the semi-final round of the competition for the first time. At the
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the other semi-finalists that anytime wanting to lay their hands on
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manded a high degree of coxentration and fitness from the forwards who played magnificently.
The only Bath players to match
the workram of the whole Irish
pack were Spuriell and Jones, who
became increasingly frustrated at
the lack of support available from
their colleagues.

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away many penalties but only four
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land only one. Bath, making no allowance for the going, tried to employ their richly talented back division but it became increasingly division but it became increasingly obvious that it was not to be their day. Even when they worked space for their wings there were four or five defenders to beat, with O'Driscoll and Barry Murphy outstanding among them. The Irish back row tackled unceasingly, Jones like some oriental potentale in the head bandage he were over stitches inserted in a tut the previous Saturday.

stitches inserted in a cut the previous Saturday.

Finding a way through barred, the Bath backs began to make mistakes. Haunted by green shirts the eye was on the man rather than the ball, and even Horton was infected by the disease. Happly the Irish belted the ball downfield, ignoring their own lineout deficiencies, stilling would be Bath rucks and slewing the opposing scrummage to their hearts content. Their store came from a rolling maul on the Bath line 24 minutes into the first half, Murphy darding through a gap in the dedarting through a gap in the de-fence near the posts for Meanwell to convert. Palmer's penalty came with nine minutes remaining but although Meanwell missed two kickable penalties in the closing

## Leicester's grip on cup shows no sign of failing

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were too well-organized for them and the Scottish knew it. Twice McRarg smiled genially when things went wrong: a certain giverway.

Overall it was an untidy match but the crucial work done by Leicester's back row was always obvious and towards the end Joyce, not, was prominent in the line-outs and in the close passing from rucks and mauls. Cusworth was involved far more than somewas involved far more than some was involved far more than sometimes and Woodward, Dodge and Hare austained their reputations with constructive handling and thinking.

It was almost against the run of play when Cusworth scored a try, from a scrummage on the Scotish line after half an hour but it were also a purplus point. Scottish line after half an hour but it was also a muning point. Hare kicked a penalty either side of the interval before Cusworth dropped a 35-metre goal. Leicester sustained the pressure but their scoring was limited to a try by Smith and a penalty and a conversion by Hare.

LEICESTER: W. Hare: J. Dusgan. C. Woodward P. Dodge. T. Burwell:

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# Argentine method brings own reward

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cks reminded us all of the vircs of running and passing at
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By comparison the Northampton

slow and charbersome, it was as
well that Northampton's forwards
responded in the way they did, for
they faced a mobile eight capable
of a powerful-controlled shove in
the light scrummages

San Isidro travel to Ircland
today having won three of their
four contents. Pontypridd bear a
them in their first match but San
Isidro took the next hurdle comfortably. flurashing Midland
pistrict by 47-4

With blue skies above, Frankin's Gardens made a pretty pic
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ar they have yet to discover a cressful formula. Certainly they are outclassed behind the scromage yesterday when San Isidro's ture. At the end of the first ture. At the end of the first ture of an hour the place tickers had adjusted their sights. San Isidro, quite properly, see the merit in kicking their soals and careful preparation and beautiful

timing brought successes for the centres Loffreda and Perez Cobo. By half-time Northampton had drawn level through an excellent iry by Rignell which Cubict converted. rerted.
In the second half Sainz Trapaga
ran well to score a try; Madero,
is spiendid stand-off, dropped 2
goal and Cubitt landed a penalty TOAL

NORTHAMPTON: C. Maclanesa: R. Parker, J. Desborough, P. Bigaell, P. McGorkian: J. Cubin, A. Sirvet: R. Smith, J. Raphael (captain) G. Pearce, C. Fohvell: V. Carmon, S. Russell, C. Cawsbook, G. Wilcox.

SAN SIORO: f. Argerich: M. Wallher (captain), M. Perez Cobo, M. Loffreda, F. Samy Trapaga: R. Madero, M. Morre, C. M. Carmon, J. Perez Cobo, C. Sainy Trapaga, A. Iachatto, B. Minera, M. Clastya, R. Lachetto, R. de Vedia, Referes: J. I. Williams (Restford-shire).



# Jackson try seals Gosforth's

By Nicholas Keith By Nicholas Keith
Harlequins 9 Gosforth 3
Harlequins claimed a plucky,
but slightly lucky John Player Cup
victory over Gosforth at the Stoop
Memorial ground on Saturday on
a day when the rugby fates smilled
on London. The drama of the march was crammed into one minute, the last, when the teams stood at 3-3, a penalty apiece by Bushell and Johnson, and Gosforth seemed set to go through as the

Then Paul Jackson scored a try in the corner after a speculative Harlequins move which began in their own half; Simson made good ground on the left, and his kick ahead somehow eluded Patrick, the Gusforth full back, to let in Jackson. Bushell, who had a fine game, measured a magnificent conversion into the wind with the last kick of the

The wind—s numbing northerly—played an important part it made the judgment of kicks difficult and hampered the thrower at lineouts. This does not entirely excuse the inadequacy of line-out play: there were over 60 line-out play: there were over 60 line-outs and good possession came there none. Harlequins' jumping was better, particularly by O'Brien, a stand-in for his New Zealand compatriot, Haden, but 'Quins tended to lose the ball at the ensuing maul or ruck. In the scrummages, Gosforth established early mastery. They wheeled and shoved 'Quins backwards but failed to capitalise on this advantage. The Harlequin back row did a stout job of tidying up the loose ends created by the scrummaging problems of their front five.

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Young, the Gostorth and former England scrum half, has not recovered from the loss of Uttley and Dixon in the back row, and he was unusually hesitant. Gostorth, also, did not exploit to the full a certain vulnerability in the nome side's defence on the right where the finesse of McMillan or the force of Gustard could have made inroads, given the chance.

Nevertheless, a Gosforth victory seemed only a matter of time throughout the match. They were only three points down playing into the wind in the first half, and here they were helped by Cooke who dropped the half as he was crossing their line. Johnson levelled the scores with 15 minutes left, but he also missed another penalty and a dropped goal. Gustard was as close to scoring as touch in goal once in the second half.

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Harleduins: R. Bushell: R. Dusman, C. Sirkell, C. Protti, S. Simson:
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Cotton, I. Salth, G. Clarion. N.
Oscion, D. Cocks, E. Weeker, P.
McDowell, R. Breakey, A. McMillan,
C. Custart: D. Johnson, M. Youne,
C. White (captart), R. Cunningham,
J. Bell, T. Roberta, J. Short, P. Smith,
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#### Army unable to insure for retention of title By Gordon Allan

Royal Navy 0 Army 6 Rugby matches without scores are like steak pies without gravy, but need not be flavouriess on that account. At Twickenham on Saturday the Royal Navy and the Army spent 35 minutes, including injury time trains in crossing injury time, trying to cross each other's line and kick the ball between each other's posts, and in the end bad to admit defeat. in the end bad to admit defeat.

All was not negative, however.

This match is now sponsored by
Stewart Wrightson, the insurance
brokers, who provide a trophy,
and the Army, last season's winners, retained it. The result also
means there will be more than
formal inverest in the remaining
match in the Inter-Services tournament hetween the Navy and the men; between the Navy and the RAF on March 22. The Army would have been champions if they had won on Saturday.

Perhaps the Army should have won. They knew their drill in the tight and caused have in the Navy acrummage. Morgan kicked well for position from stand-off, and Rees kinted at ideas in the capter (the other capter). and Rees hinted at ideas in the centre (the other centre, Lytollis, probably the Army's cleverest runner, was injured in the first half); but there were far too many mistakes of handling, passing and alignment in midfield, and it was these, as much as the Navy's defence, that turned every advance into a retreat.

The Navy's predicament was the The Navy's predicament was the same. When they got the ball they could not hold it. Their pack were as wholehearted as the Army's in the loose, Leigh kicked as gainfully as Morgan, and Newson, on the poruside of the fleet, was willing and able to engage the enemy. Vin hope. If the ball-carrier did not hit the deck, the ball did.

ball did.

Chances came and went: Fabian missed three penaltics for the Navy in the Hrst 15 minutes; one hit a post. In injury time Fabian broke through to the Army 22, but Newson was squeezed into touch. Rees and Morgan missed dropped goals for the Army, and Rees was short with a kickable penalty near the end. Morgan, Glean and Bryning occasionally raised small expectations; but, on the whole, the man who remarked that it was a good match if you turned a blind eye to all the mistakes got to the root of the matter.

mistakes got to the root of the matter.

ROYAL MAVY: L! G. Fablan (HMS singera): L/S S. Creinbion (HMS Daedains, replacament, PO B. Wills. HMS Fife). L! Cdr A. Jones (CFP Royth). L! C. Bryning (HMS Glamonent). L! T. Meeyson (HMS Glamonent). L! T. Meeyson (HMS Glamonent). L! T. Meeyson (HMS Vertica). Sub L! B. Davies (HMS Vertica): PO L. Niah (HMS Enryllett). L! C. Hughes (HMS Daedains). L! J. Acterman (HMS Meron., DO W. Line (HMS Perol). L'S C. Folland (HMS Scalator). Missingman R. Trompson (HMS Norfoli). L'S Linghes (HM Dest). CPO P. Duna (HMS Herve, Capidan).

TV crew attacked The Hagne, March 9.—A Dutch television crew were attacked by football supporters on their arrical at the Olympic stadium in Rotter-dam today for the Dutch League match between Ajax and Feyennearth between Agas and reven-nord. One of the relevision tech-nicians suffered a broken nose, and the incident prevented the re-cording of highlights of the match for relevising this evening.

Ski jumping LANTI, Fulland: World Carp 70m: 1. H. Neuros (Austria . 172pts: 2 coust. A. Koyler (Austria). S. Bobal (Poland), 109.

# Player snatches dramatic victory from Townsend

ramoussoukro, Ivory Coast, March 9

Amid scenes of mouting excitement as drums began to beat and the Presidential Rolls drew up at

the Presidential Rolls drew up at the club, Gary Player smatched victory from Peter Townsend after both had scored final rounds of 54, eight under par.

Player won £4,275, Townsend £2,990, King and Dassu shared £1,900. It was the third play off Townsend has lost to Player. He bunkered his approach at the first extra hele and took five against extra hole and took five against Player's par four. The final round developed soon

The final found nevertipes soon into a duel between Player and Townsend, starting level. The flow of birdies had been stemmed in the third round by severe pin placing, but the two leaders were irrestible in the fourth round— Townsend reach the turn in 31 to Playtr's 33. The main difference between them was that Townsend holed a full wedge at the eighth for an eagle two, I like not to call that a fluke, but just reward for much accurate iron play through-out the week.

out the week.

The playing of the short holes by Townsend was another indication of how well he was hitting his irons. His tee shot to the sixth which carried a prize for a hole in one, bit deep into the a hole in one, bit deep into the green 12 feet short of the hole. At the twelfth he scored his fourth two of the round. The day before he had hit a beautiful tee shot over the water at that 200-yard hole and today he hit another wood one.

other good one.

But Player was not letting his only rival out of his sight. He was in the last trio behind Townsend and had not been paired all week. The less obvious the threat to Townsend, one feels, the better. Player also had birdies at the twelfth, and also took his chance of a birdie at the 320-yard fifteenth which Townsend could not. Three holes to play and Player had closed the gap to one. He came to the last hole one behind still, but scored the hirdie he needed, pitching with a mid-iron to eight feet and holing a fine competitive putt.

It was a fine competitive effort It was a fine competitive effort of Player since he was trailing

Padukone plays

The win left Padukone as one of the favourites for the All-England and world titles to be decided over the next few months. He looks one of the main threats to Indo-nesia's Liem Swie King.

Froir Hansen was demoralized by the unpredictability of Padu-kone, who kept his opponent run-ping all the time with delicate drops and his superiority at the net. In the second game Froir Hansen, threw everything into the game, smarking his way from 1—4

game, smaxing in way from 1—50; 4—4, then keeping pace to 11—11 and moving ahead to 13—11. But then Padukone pulled level at 13—13 and, helped by a lucky abot which dangled on the net and by a disputed ruling, took the net five points.

the next five points.

Japan's Yoshiko Yonekura wook the women's singles title with an 11—8, 12—11 win over Indonesia's Lie Ing Hoa Ivana in a fine duel of fast, high-class badminton. The Indonesian girl, who was 20 last Friday, had everything but the experience of Yonekura, the Japanese champion, who also had the harder smash.

brilliantly to

Badminton.



throughout the last round, and back in his best scoring mood. But Townsend has been regarded as something special since that opening 62 and has never been away from the top table at a succession of banquets. In spite of sultry weather a large crowd of locals turned out in all shades of chocolate skins. Much interest was also taken by the young in the practice ground—a good sign. The winning total was 23 under per.

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It is no early to assess the merit of the course here. It is not yet ready for a big international, although, heaven knows, there is space enough. Mr Houphouet-Boigny, the Ivory Coast President, would like to see either the Eisenhower Trophy or the World Cup held here in two years time.

Skiing

Much would depend on the weather. Inis week has been for normera suropeans at least too hot to be comtortable—a suffused hot to be comtortable—a softused builty heat with few blue skies. But in November, I am told, the month of the World Cup, it is cooler. There appears to be something of a vacuum at Yamoussokro. Even the wide boulevards look hungry for traffic, and one imagines that it will be a long time before the modern clubhouse, with a present membership of 50 will be througed again as it was yesterday when Mr Richard Nixon turned up.

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easier here for a world event than in some other countries. The President has let it be known that he favours a kind of rough neutrality, in which he will give entry visus to any country finat does not practice apartheid in golf, and that, in his view, includes South Africa. Mr Nixon who has made a present of his clubs to the President, watched the closing holes of the third round as Player finished. Townsend, who had surrendered his halfway led for most of the round, finished with two birdies, so that they entered the round in the lead together. In the press room the former United States President, helped by a perspiring but extremely capable. In the press room the former united States President, helped by a perspiring but extremely capable interpreter. answered routine political questions in friendly fashion. On another level he himsed that he had no grandiose plans for the future of his own golf. He had broken 80 twice last year and saw no way he could improve on that. He referred to the form Coast President as an

improve on that. He referred to the Ivory Coast President as an old friend and his praise for his ability was more than perfunctory. The holding of a tournament such as this, on a small scale but lavish, was only possible, he said, in a country with a strong economic development. Of that there is much evidence in this embryo cultural centre. An attempt may well be made next year to turn the event into an "ivory" open; FINAL SCORES; 1265; G. Player open; FINAL SCORES; 1265; G. Player won play-off at par-lour eventh in four to flow; 1274; M. King (GR., 67, 70, 64, 68); G. S. Dassu (Ilaly, 68, 77, 72, 68); Dassu (Ilaly, 68, 77, 73, 68); B. Dassu (Ilaly, 68, 77, 73, 68); B. Langer (Cormany, 68, 127); C. Peste (US), 67, 73, 128); B. Nacer (Cormany, 68, 128); M. Tachabalai (SA), 70, 200; J. Paratalde (France, 71, 120); J. Paratalde (France, 71, 120).

#### Miller ends struggle to recover torm

Lauderhill, Florida, March 7.—
Johnny Miller, without a United
States PGA tour win since the
1976 Bob Hope desert classic
which made him the ninth player
to pass \$1m in earnings, swept to
a two-stroke lead after three
rounds of the Jackie GleasonInverse Colf Classic vesteriay. Inverrary Golf classic vesterday.

The 32-year-old Miller, who has struggled through four barren years to retrieve the form that deserted him so suddenly, started the day two strokes behind the second round leader. Mike Hill.

But five birdles in a six-hole stretch on the way to a round of 66 (six under par) gave him a three round aggregate of 204-12 under par for the 7,127 yard loverrary Club course.

The lead changed hands several times. Eight men either led or shared the lead before Miller charged back with a 31 on the second nine holes.

Miller, winner of 17 tour titles, eight in 1974, and 1976 British Open champion, showed no signs of the man who once had to struggle to make the cut. A par-saving purt by Hill on the final hole kept Miller from a three-stroke lead. Hill, aged 41. finished with a 70 and was second on 206. Andy North, four strokes behind Hill on the previous day, had a 67 and was pext on, 207.

Bill Rogers, last year's winner.
Larry Nelson, and Dough Tewell
shared fourth place on 208.
Rogers matched Muller's 66 as the
best round of the hot, close day.
Nelson had a 68, Tewell went
round in 69.

round in 69.

LEADING SCORES (US unless stated): D03: J. Miller, 70, 68. 86: 206: M. Hill. 69. 67. 70: 207: A. North. 67. 73. 67: 208. L. Nelson. 68. 72. 68: D. Tewell, 71. 68. 69: W. Rogors, 69. 73. 66: 209: D. Eirheiberger, 71. 68. 70, M. Halahky, 70. 69. 76: C. Goody, 69. 71. 69: L. Zienier, 70. 69, 70: 210: J. Simons, 68. 70, 72. R. Murphy, 67. 71. 72: D. Edwards, 66. 71. 73: 211: B. Fielscher, 71. 69. 71: L. Craham, 69. 72. 70. G. Redrigue: (Puerto Rico), 67. 73. 71: R. Curt. 68. 74. 69. B. Lietzke, 69. 73. 69.—Agence France-Presse.

Athletics

## The world stands aside win Danish Open | for the Wenzel family

Copenhagen, March 9.—Prakash Padukone, of India, defeated Denmark's Morton. Frost Hansen, 13—7, 18—13 to win the men's singles title in the finals of the Danish Open badminton championships. The speed and smashing power of the 21-year old Dane was not endugh against the Indian who, playing almost flawlessly, was in control almost throughout. Obserstanien, West Germany, Obserstance, West Germany, March 9.—Andreas and Hanni Wenzel, the Liechtenstein brother and sister, are virtually certain to score a unique family double in the men's and women's World Cup competitions. Miss Wenzel was assured of winning the women's trophy after yesterday's slalom in Czechoslovakia, and her brother seems certain to win the men's cup following victory in a giant slalom here.

following victory in a giant statom here.

Wenzel, who sped down the two courses here in two minutes 14.93 seconds, pushed Ingenar Stenmark (Sweden) into second place overall with his win. He now has 198 points to Stenmark's 195. Seenmark, who finished third yesterday behind Jacques Luethy of Switzerland, conceded defeat in the World Cup. "I have certainly lost it. Andreas Wenzel will win it. He has earned it," he said.

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has earned it," he said.

The Swede, aged 23, a shalom and giant slalom specialist, is limited by his decision not to take part in the downhill events. He cannot win more than 200 points under World Cup rules. Wenzel now needs only a seventh place in the remaining four races this season to beat Stemmark.

In vesterday's race. Luenty In yesterday's race, Luethy seemed poised to win after clocking the fastest time in the first nessa's Lie ing isoa Ivana m a me duel of fast, high-class badminton. The Indonesian girl, who was 20 last Friday, had everything but the experience of Yonekura, the lapanese champion, who also had the harder smash.

MEN'S BOUSLES: F. Della and S. Shopestal beat A. Chantra and Chington' indonesia'), 10—18, 15—10, 15—10.

company was reported to have offered Stemmark about 12m marks for a three-year advertising con-tract, but the Swede said any tract, but the Swede said any decision to turn professional would be made at the end of the season. Stenmark added that it was questionable whether he would take part in the 1984 Winter Olympics in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia.

In Vysoke Tatry, Czechoslovakia, Miss Wenzel failed to complete a women's World Cup slalom yesterday but still became overall champion for the second time in three years. Perrine Peien

transce) won the event in a com-blined time of one minute 27.07 seconds, just ahead of her com-patriot. Fabienne Serrat, who clocked 1:27.14. The American, Tamara McKinney, was third Daniela Zini (Italy) won today's event with a combined time of 1 minute 2-29 seconds. Miss 1 minute 27.29 seconds, Miss Wenzel finished second in 1:27.42, ahead of Erika Hess (Switzerland) who clocked 1:27.60. The Austrian skier Annemaric Moser, failed to complete the second leg Miss Zimi led on the first leg from Nadezhda Petrakeyeva of the Sovier Union and Czechoslovakia's Olga Charvatova, who finished fifth on the first run. finished fifth on the first run.

MEN: Overait World Cup standing.

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#### IAAF meeting likely to support IOC

Paris, March 9.—The International Amateur Athletic Federation are expected to support the International Olympic Commutee's stance over the Moscow Olympics at a two-day council meeting starting here tomorrow.

John Holt, the IAAF secretary, said recently that his organization would take their cue from the IOC who last month in Lake Placid resisted a United States move to have the Moscow games switched to another venue in protest at Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. In addition, Adrian Paulen, the IAAF president, is known to be firmly in favour of going to Moscow in July and August.

August Mostow in July and August Most contendous item before the meeting is likely to be 4 general discussion on amateurism, which is becoming increasingly difficult to enforce, in athletica.
The United States are pressing for amateur rules to be completely abolished, and several other countries, although wanting to go as far as Americans, want a relaxation of legislation over payments to athletes.

The discussion could have a

The discussion could have a bearing on the attempt by the French Olympic hurdles champion, Guy Drut, and the American high jumper, Dwight Stones, to be reinstated by the IAAF. Both are suspended for accepting payments while still competing as amateurs and their cases will be discussed these The meaning will also conand ineir cases will be discussed here. The meeting will also con-sider the reinstatement of a number of American athletes who competed under the hanner of the International Track Associa-

For the record.

the next five points.

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Tennis

Cycling

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Vilct (Netherlands): 1.35 behind:
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trial: 1. F. Moser (Raby): 3min 54.5sec;
2. G. Brum (WG): 856:1: 5. R.
Schulten (Netherlands): 9.0022: 4. R.
de Vlasminck (Belgium): 9.11.4. 3.
J. Marcussen (Demparis): 9.21.5: 6.
R. Visentint (Bergy), 9:12.0.

Ice hockey HATIONAL LEAGUE: Washington Capitals 9. Hartiford Whalves 5: Philadelphia Flyers 6. Minnesons North-Sizes 2: Modernal Capadient 5. New York Rangest 2: Pinsburgh Penguins 5. Mew York Islanders 5. Toronto Mapie Lasis 5. Cunber Nordigues 2. Derroit Red Wings 2. S. Louis Sines 2: Chinage Black Hawks 5. Louis Sines 2: Chinage Black Hawks 5. Lou Angelon Kings 5.

Motor rallying ESTORIL: Port wine rally. (ined piacings: 1, w. Robri tw Germany: Fisions: 2, w. Alien (Finland: Fisi-Abarth, 3:59.54; 3, G. Fraquerin (Prance): Tablot-Sunbang, 9:16.04; 4, B. Waldenard (Sweden): Mercades, 9:29.22; 3, 1 Carrians (Sweden): Mercades, 9:40.21; 5, O. Anderson (Sweden); Tayota, 9:54.51.

Cross country

Yachting

AUCKLAND: World 18-fnot cham-pionships: Sixth race (all Australia; 1. P. Serenson: 2. I. Murray, 5. F. Earnabas; 4. J. Winning; 5. R. Brown, 6. R. Chaonan. Overell standings; 1. Murray, 14-7 ponsity points; 2. Brown, 26; 5. Winning, 51. Golf

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Nordic skiing

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LAHTI, Finland; Slote cross country
event; 1, J. Lindvall (Norway), The
Formin 41-Sizec; 3, O. Brea (Norway),
2:34-11: 5. J. Nicon (Finland),
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Collins (Caneda), 146.0 ptg; 2. J.
Toormesten (Finland), 131-7; 5. H.
Neuper; 187 pts; 2. 5. Bobbs (Poland),
117; 5, A. Kogler (Amstria), 104; 3.
A. lumsuce (Austria), 95; 5. F. Sami
(Switztriand), \*01; 6. J. Saotre (Norway),
87 Nordic combined; 1. It. Doi:
2auce (EG), 420,69 pts. 2, A. Langer
(EG), 420,7; 5, 5. Kewnick (Poland),
395.09.

Speed skating

Race walking

PRAY DE LLORREGAT (Spain):
Spanish championahibs: 1. J. Marin
(Spain): hours 15 minutes 55 seconds:
(Spain): 7.45,55. 5. 0.
Gaussy (France: 4.06.25, 3. 0.
Alcaled (Spain): 7.06.25, 3. 0.
Alcaled (Spain): 1.06.25, 3. 0.
Parker
(NZ): 4.10.06; 6. A. Seddon (CB)

Hockey

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#### Latest European snow reports

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# Rose ploughs lonely furrow but soil of Longchamp is Virgin

Paris, March 9
The English champlon, Nick
Rose, came within 600 metres of
winning the world cross country
title here today, only to slip to
third place behind Craig Virgin
(USA) within sight of the finish.
For more than three-quarters of
the 12-kilometre race, Rose
ploughed a brave and lonely furrow around the Longchamp racerow around the Longchamp race-course, setting a fast pace which none of the other runners would or could follow.

or could follow.

But as the effort of pacemaking for so long on the thick, infeed grass drained the strength from his legs, it became clear initially that one of a group of three pursuers, Hans Orthmann (West Germany), was closing dramatically on him in the final kilometre. With 600 metres remaining and the last long straight in front of the main stand to run, Orthmann pulled alongside and then passed Rose. For nearly 100 metres, the Bristolian fought back but Orthmann was opening a small gap and was apparently set to take the title.

But the race took a new turn in the last quarter-mile as Virgin, the American 10,000 metres record holder, from Illinois, whose initial effort to catch Rose in mid-race had seemed to have been repelied, suddenly found a new surge of energy. Moving from third place, he caught the fading Englishman 200 metres from the finish and within another 30 metres had reclied in the tired German too, making both of them look as both of them look as Virgin won in 37 minutes one second, the first individual victory for the United States in the senior

was one second behind, while Risse aimost logged across the finish in 37 minutes five seconds. A former winner, Leon Schots (Belgium), was fourth and John Robson (Scotland), a member of Britain's elite party for the Olympic 1.500 metres, was a totally unexpected fifth.

Ireland's John Treacy, winner for the past two years, never looked happy and despite working his way up to second place early in the race, faded to finish a disappointed 18th of the 176 runners.

For England, even without Mike McLeod and Ren Newton, who had to pull out of the race yesterday with tendon trouble, there was some consolation for Rose's galsome consolation for Rose's gal-lant defeat when they retained the team title against the odds. Their scoring men. were Rose (third), Bernle Ford (10th), Barry Smith, (14th). Steve Kenyon (17th), Nicholas Lees (19th) and Grabam Tuck (37th) and they totalled 100 points to beat the United States by the huge margin of 63 points. For England's women, there were silver medals, although by the narrowest of margins over the United States. The Soviety Union, with four runners in the first six, United States. The Soviety Union, with four runners in the first six, scored an overwhelming victory on 15 points but the English team of Penny Forse (7th), Rathryn Binns (9th), Sandra Arthurton (14th) and Ruth Smeeth (19th), scored 49 points, the same as the United Seates. Miss Sweeth's position, compared to the fourth American scorer's 21st, swung the balance to the English.

Norway's Grete Waitz scored a third successive victory and by the crushing margin of 40 seconds, leading her team to fourth place out of the 17 nations taking part.

Rackets

## Whatley's fitness enables him to reach last eight

By Roy McKelvie amateurs reached the quarter-thai round of the open rackets championship at Queens Club over the weekend. The round, to be played on Wednesday, will be William Boone v Charles Hue Williams; Randall Crawley v David Jemidns; Terry Whatley (Clifton) v Howard Angus and Norwood Cripps (Eton) v John Prenn. There is promise of seed things in these matches. of good things in these matches.
Whatley, the Cifton professional, was the only player to lose a game in reaching the last eight and he beat Andrew Beason eight and he bear Andrew Beeson 15—8, 14—16, 15—8, 16—13 in a match full of railies yesterday. Vhatley's better service and greater fitness separated the players. Early in the fourth game

rather more than one might expect in this class and at times the two men looked as if they were spluning a spider's web in the spinning a spider's web in the court.

Whatley's strength, apart from his service, was his long reach which helped him counter Beeson's angles. But he showed a weakness on the forehand in that he hit is straight down the court more often than not away from the side wall. His stroke direction became predictable. Only once in the whole metch did Whatley pull his forehand across court. It took Beeson by surprise.

Rugby League

#### Halifax and Hull win against the odds

By Keith Macklin phere is something in the atmosphere of a Cup game which acts like a hallucinatory drug, transforming base metal apparently into gold, and the sow's ear of a tryless war of attrition into the silk purse of a thrilling game of

ugby. Two of yesterday's fierce, and lways knife-edge quarter-final les, won by Hallfax and Hall

the game the vast army of Rull supporters, the most volatile in the league, swarmed on to the pitch and chaired off their heroes

Northern, renowned for their dreadnought forward play and merciless tackling, were besten at their own game. Hull got an early penalty from Lloyd, and afterwards rolled up their sleeves and tackled everything that moved above grass. Northern came near to a score when Gant kicked ahead a loose ball, but fadied to make the touchdown, but for the most part the Odsal players were planed in their own quarters, and a late drop goal from Pickerill sank them.

Similar scenes of crowd enting

stasm were understandary re-corded at Halifax, where a hunch born of sentiment rather than realism came off. The second divi-sion side's 7—3 win over Wakefield Trinity produced one of those Cinderella stories that do not really exist outside pulp fiction. exist outside pulp fiction.

Blair, the stand-off half brought into the Halifax side to replace the injured captain, Blacker, was Halifax's match winner. He dropped no fewer than four goals and with Birts kicking a penalty and adding another drop goal, desperate Trinity found all their attacking efforts in vain against stolid defence. Halifax have now remained undefeated since they lost the Yorkshire Cup final to ost the Yorkshire Cup final to Leeds, and the crowd, estimated at 15,000, was the biggest at Thrum Hall since Halifax's glory

Hull Ringston Rovers, who have never won the Challenge Cup, went a step nearer by beating Warrington 23—11 after conceding an early 3—5 lead. A by from Hunter and three goals from the reliable

goal.

The remarkable Hubbard, who is having an amazing first full season in Rugby League, scored two tries and kicked five goals to qualify for a special bonus from the sponsors, State Express, and Rovers were rarely in trouble in the second half.

# Pakistan pay dearly for Chappell miss

Faisalabad, March 9—Australia's captain, Greg Chappell, dropped by his opposite number, Javed Miandad, when he had scored only 15, made Pakistan pay dearly for the miss on the third day of the second Test here yesterday. Chappell went on to make 235 and, with Graham Yallop contributing: a valiant 105 not out, Australia were in an impregnable position at 478 for tive when they went into tolay's rest day.

It was Chappell's second Test

hather a rotal of 442 minutes for his 17th three-figure innings in Test cricket and many of his 24 boundaries came from customarily elegant drives through the off-side field.

off-side field.

Pakistan, 1-0 up in the series, gained an early breakthrough when Australia resumed at 198 for two. Hughes dove a ball from the off-spinner, Tausif Ahmed, straight to Enteshamuddin at long-on before he had added to his overnight score of 88. The third-wicket stand was worth 179.

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Transvaal seal

on Currie Cup

Johannesburg, March 9.—Transvaal ensured that they would retain the Currie Cup in South Africa's interprevincial cricket competition when they crushed Eastern Province here by an innings and 197 runs.

innings and 197 runs.

Already well ahead of their nearest rivals, Western Province, Transvaal sealed their grasp on the trophy by dismissing Eastern Province for 94, scoring 337 for four themselves, then skittling out their rivals for a dismal 46. The Transvaal stars were Clive who took a match total of

Rice, who took a match total of nine wickets for 38 runs, and the veteran batsman, Graeme Pollock, who scored a majestic 157.

SCORES: Eastern Province 94 and 46; Transvaal 337 for 4 (G. Pollock 157).

Pollock 157).

Plea to lift unupiring standards:
The West Indies cricket manager,
Willie Rodriguez, has strongly
urged the International Cricket
Council (ICC) to appoint a panel
of tested unpires for international
games. He told a press conference
on the return of some of the West
Indian team from their tour of
Australia and New Zealand that
this step should be taken in order
to lift unpiring standards.

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The New Zealand cricker authorities have asked the West Indian cricket board of Control (WICBC) to take action against their players after the barging of an umpire by one of the team and a threatened walkout by the whole team during the second Test of the three-match series. The West Indies lost the series 1—0.—

their grasp

#### Laughlin gives Victoria the initiative

score to 163 by lunch with an array of attacking strokes. He continued in the same vein in the afternoon, scoring his second hundred in just over two hours, and was eventually out shortly before use, leg-before to Sariraz Navaz after a partnership of 217 for the fourth wicket.

Border was run out soon after

Adelaide, March 9.—Hard hitting by Trevor Laughlin regained the initiative for Victoria here today in their match against the holders, South Australis, which is in effect, the final of the Sheffeld Shield. Sheffield Shield. Victoria lost three second in-nings wickets for 43 before the recovery began. Scholes helped Laughlin score 78 for the fifth whichet in 54 minutes. Laughlin's 51 took a shade over an hour. By the close, with Victoria 182 for six, a lead of 243, Scholes was on 58.

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The previous day Iau Chappell hit his 59th first class century to lift South Australia after Victoria had made 365 for five declared 10 their first innings. Chappell played a very responsible immigs after three wickets had fallen before the score passed 50. He reached his 100 in 252 minutes with 11 fours.

SCORES (after three days): Victoria

Young England fall: After dec-laring twice, the D. H. Robins XI of young English cricketers were beaten in the opening match of their New Zealand tour in Dunedin roday. The captain, Christopher Cowdrey, invited Otago Minor Associations to score 233 in 270 minutes to win and, based on an unbeaten 124 by the opening bassman, Blakely, they did so with seven wickets in land.

SCORES D. H. RODEN XI 171 for

#### Oxford crew break record but lose title

By Jim Reilton
Oxford University broke a record
on Saturday but lost a title
exactly one mouth before the
Boat Race (April 5). Despite
starting in the Pole position as
head crew in the Reading Head
of the River race, the Oxford
University boat race crew "diguised" as Isis I, allowed Leander, in second place, to track
them down over the full length
of the course. Oxford could do
precious little about Ir when Leander made their challenge.

Supposedly Oxford were "to
row over the course at a controiled rate", an excuse which is
a consequence of the bad old trolled rate", an excuse which is a consequence of the bad old days. This excuse, however, holds little water with two of their coaches, cycling alongside shricking like stricken Ayatollas for more effort from their faithful. It was of no avail. While Leander came down the course like an express gradually eating up their three lengths of track deficit, Oxford could offer no resistance.

Leander overrated their oppoford could offer no resistance.

Leander overrated their opponents by as much as three to four strokes a minute. But to win this race Oxford, with their opponents always in view, had so either lift their rate or lengthen with more power applied. However, shey did not answer. This is the third time this year I have seen Oxford fall to respond and the question must be posed: " is there a rate problem?"

tem?

Leander broke the record held by the 1974 Oxford Boat Race rew by 16 seconds and Oxford by, six, being approximately three engins slower over the course has an impressive Leander crew. than an impressive Leander crew. It is II—the real Isis for the so-called mint boat race against Goldie on April 5—went down one place finishing fourth con-ceding to Leander II, but won the senior A pennant. But the Oxford reserves were 15 seconds down on their Blueboat. I am not sure whether to interpret that as good

combined squad second crew finishing twenty-eighth. Almgether there were 10 women's entries, seven of which finished in last places. The women's mational first boat finished thirty-lith and Oxford University's women's eight strey-first which is a decided im-

# Shavers gets tired of hitting Colombian

Mcafee, New Jersey, March 8.—
Colombia's Bernardo Mercado singgered back from the brink of a knockont to score, a sunning victory tonight by beating the Mo 1 heavyweight contender. Earnie Shavers, in the seventh round.

The defent probably marked the end of Shavers's career. The 35-year-old boxer from Warren, Ohio, was boxing for the first time since he underwent eye surgery after losing to the World Boring Council champlon, Larry Holmes, in a title bout last September.

The remarkable turnabout by Mercado, who is 27, and rated eighth by the WBC, came after he had been floored by a right cross for a count of eight in the third round. He had also taken a severe battering from the powerful punching of Shavers for most of the first, six rounds. ful punching of Shavers for most of the first, six rounds.

Bleeding badly from curs above and below his left eye and advancing on sinky legs, Mercado summoned phenomenal stamina to launch an attack that ended with the referee stopping the bour after 48 seconds of the seventh round. It was difficult to tell which of the boxets was more tired at the

Shavers, his eyes glazed, was on his feet at five and took the mandatory eight-count. Mercado rushed to the attack again as Shavers backed against the ropes and tried to protect his head with his arms covering his face.

The Colombian his Shavers with at least a dozen lefts and rights, many of which got through

Association said today it wout arrange a title match in I between Ali and John Tate World Boxing Association a pion. They said that they not spare the manpower for proposed date, June 27.

In Leou, Spain, the hard ping Roberto Castanon retaine European featherweight title a points victory over fellowiard, Emilio Barcala.—Reuter

#### Two brothers are chosen

appear because Mel Christle, who
won the "super" heavyweight
title in Dublin, steps down a
division. The other member of
the family, Terry, appears at
middleweight. The 11 men in the
team all won titles hat Friday.
The brothers are from the Dublin Crumlin clob. Terry, a Dublin

Ayr programme

2.15 CARCLUIE HURDLE (Handicap: £849: 2m)

#### Southwell programme











Sandown Park results

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Mian 3-1; 3. Mourndwis (9-1); Grand
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#### Doncaster

2.15: 1. LEWIS HOMES (8-1): 2. Gaulstown Boy (12-1): 3, Colden Jest (11-2). Mummy's Star, 3-4 fav. 13

#### A look at the lesser lights of the NH Festival

For the past few weeks, even months, names like Diamond Edge and Monkstield have been thrust and Monkstield have been thrust at us with such monotonous regularity that it may make a pleasant change to look at some of the less-publicized entries for the big races at the Cheltenham National Hunt Festival, which begin tomorrow. No-hopers they may be in the view of the experts, but in the eyes of their marvellously optimistic owners and trainers, the "little" meu who make NH racing such a fine sport—in the truest sense of that word—they are Arkle, Mill House and Bula all rolled into one.

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Take for example Narribinul, one of five horses trained by Richard Mitchell in the tiny Dorset village of Grauville Wootton and currently quoted at between 50 and 100 to 1 for Thursday's Gold Cup. Mitchell, although admitting that he will be tickled pink if his horse finishes in the first four, is not to be dismissed as a cock-eyed optimist. He has done extremely well with his small string and Narribinul gave him great cause for satisfaction when he finished runner-up to Daletta in the Embassy Premier Steeplechase final at Haydock Park recently, with a smart field including Dramatist behind. The eight-year-old's style of finishing suggests he will be well-suited by the Gold Cup distance.

There is worrying news of another long shot in the Gold Cup. This is the incredible 15-year-old gelding. Ma. Vidi. who scens to have discovered an elictir of life in his horse trough and won seven of his 10 races this season. His trainer, Pam Neal, who is a former schoolteacher, said yesterday that Mac Vidi had pierted a foot on Thursday and that obviously his participation was not certain. If Mac Vidi does go to

ously his participation was not certain. If Mac Vidi does go to post he will be ridden by Paul Leach, who won the Schweppes Gold Tropby on another outsider, Bootlaces, last month. "Certainly better than a 66 to 1 chance" is what the Webbers of Banbury think about their horse. The Smpe, in the Gold Cup. Trained by John Webber and rid-

dea. by his son, Anthony, Thean impressive recurd over the course—a victory and a second in the Massey-Ferguson Gold Cup and a second in the Mackeson Gold Cup.

As far as the Champion Hurdle As far as the Champion Hurdle is concerned, complete outsiders are in fact thin on the ground. David Elsworth, the trainer of Remezzo has decided to run his horse in the novice event instead because as he says: "Remezzo would only have limished second in the Champion!" That leaves Royal Boxer as the one who most nuking people would mominate to

Royal Boxer as the one who most unkind people would nomitate to finish last, although his owner would have a few words to say about that.

Josh Gifford can hardly be described as one of the "little" men of the game, but he is running long-priced (for him) horses in the Gold Cup and the Champion Hurdle. Appreaching is coming into form at the right time for the Gold Cup and impressed many people with his second to Father Delaney at Kempton Park recently. And there has been a lot of money for Gifford's Champion hope, Broadleas in the past few days.

for Gifford's Champion hope, Broadleas in the past few days. Winner of his last three races, the six-year-old is jumping up several classes now, but the stable are quietly hopeful.

The main features of the week end raking—apart from the stately procession of Prince Charles around Sandown—were the fine riding of John Francome to win the Imperial Cup on Prayukta, who needs a champion's touch, and the amazing race for the Panama Cigar Hurdie final at Chepstow.

Random Leg and Walnut Wonder, the favourites for the Chepstow race, were both totally eclipsed behind Run Hard, who gave an animated impression of a

gave an animated impression of a gave an animated impression of a tipsy crab as he ran about all over the course before alpping in front of Little Bay close home. And, just to rub salt in the wounds of the formbook devotees, the 100 to 1 shot, Citadel Roc, ran on to take third place.

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Prince Charles on his way to a royal welcome as he jumps

### Irish are hoping for six of the Cheltenham best

Correspondent

Dublin, March 9

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Sean Graham, an Irish bookmaker, yesterday offered 50-1 against there being no Irish trained winner at Cheltenham this week and the same odds against there being nine Irish victories. With the customary Irish optimism abounding he will find many more takers this morning for the latter bet, although I think we would be doing well to finish the three days with half a duzen successes.

The one time Tote Gold Cup favourite, Jack of Trumpu, was knocked out to as long as 8-1, after finishing nearer last than first to Kükilwell in the Leopardstown Steeplechase. Jack of Trumps ran a good deal better there than his final placing suggested. A very bad mistake at the second-last fence knocked him out of the reckning and he was immediately eased.

which he tackled successfully in 1978 and 79.

There will be at least half a dozen Irish runners in the first race of the meeting, the Waterford Crystal Supreme Novices' Hurdle. Deep Gale, fourth in the Erin Foods, is the paper selection, but he does not put much test into his finishes and I prefer Daring Run who scampered home a 10-length winner at Wexford last time out.

Although Anaslog's Daughter

last time out.

Although Anaglog's Daughter lacks substance, she has emerged as a very fluent front runner over fences and can add the Arkle Steeplechase to an all the way win in the Irish equivalent at Leopardstown last month.

Two other winners on Erin Foods day, Kilidiwell and Seventh Son, can garner further first-day laprels for the Irish team. Kilidiwell sprang a 20-1 surprise in the Leopardstown Steeplechase and

ran a good deal better there than his final placing stoggested. A very had mistake at the second-last fence-knocked him out of the reckoning and he was immediately eased.

I still maintain that Jack of Trumps will one day win a Gold Cup and if he puts his jumping together, he has the speed and staming to win on Thursday. An each-way prospect must be Tied Cottage who was level with Alverton when falling at the last jump a year ago.

Monksfield has become a raging hot favourite to win the Waterford Crystal Champion Hurdle for the third successive year and it is more than coincidence that he is cast in the same mould as the first triple Champion hurdle winner, Hatton's Grace, short on inches. But long on heart. Monksfield will be racing for the fifth and last time at the National Hunt Festival and his record so far is on a par with that of Red Rum at Aintree with two seconds and two victories. I question whether the form of the Erin Foods Champion Hurdle amounted to much, but in findshing second to Twinburn (received 9 lb) Monksfield served notice that once again he was coming back to his peak in the spring. With question marks over the jumping of Pollardstown and the fitness of Sea Pigeon, Monksfield may have an easier task than that

# Hard to Sing home in style

From Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent Cagnes-sur-Mer, March 9 Cagnes-sur-Mer, March 9
Hard to Sing completely outclassed his 11 rivals in this afternoon's Grand Prix du Conseil Genetal des Alpes-Maritimes at Cagnessur-Mer and came home alone four
lengths in front of MacFlipper,
who held second place by a head
from Armistice Day. who held second place by a head from Armistice Day.

Georges Doleuze was given an armchair ride by Hard to Sing who started at 2-1 on. Hard to Sing was always well up with the leaders and lay fourth behind MacFlipper, Armistice Day and Biloxi when the field turned for home. Brought up the middle of the track Hard to Sing took over the lead two furlongs out and then proceeded to draw clear of his rivals. Owned by the international accountant Nigel Lathom-Sharp. Hard to Sing now heads for the Prix de Barbeville at Longchamps on April 7 followed by the Prix Jean Prat and, later in the year, the Grand Prix de Deauville.

The English born trainer,

nearly £70,000 following Hard to Sing's victory: Earlier in the afternoon Milbank satidled Dom Aldo to win the 1D furlong Prix de Tunis at odds of 2-1. Dom Aldo, who like Hard to Sing is by the Japanese based stallion. Hard to Beat, took his race by six Jengths from Lord Derby's Stand Easy with Policeman, who started slowly, two lengths away third. Dom Aldo is now likely to contest either the Prix de Conreciles or Prix Greffulhe at Longchamp next month.

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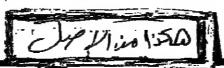
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#### MONDAY BOOK

# Sydney Pollack's most optimistic film

scenery. cinemaphiles. At least one book a year analysing his work in either language lands on his desk in Los Angeles. "I can't read them, but I can't resist knowing what they are about so I always hire some penniless university language student to scratch out the translation. The Europeans see much more social significance than I do. In this film they see the hero as a wentieth-century version of my Jeremiah Johnson. The minute you set an individual against a large corporation you can't help having some social significance, the minute you take a man out cowboy who meets a coped-up champion horse and disappears into the desert hotly pursued by Jane Fonda."

At 42 Pollack thinks this is the most optimistic film he has ever made. "I don't feel par-

70s because the climate of the rime was too cynical. In America we wanted movies that reflected the reality of our lives not the fantasy. Love stories went out of the window. People talked about what they really meant to each other, what role they played in each other's life, But in the '30s and '40s you measured the success of a movie by the distance it had from your life. I knew I was never going to stand on a fog-enshrouded runway and kiss Ingrid Bergman goodbye in a trenchcoat, but I wanted to. I don't think

for years like psychoanalysis— there's nothing wrong with it, but there are lots of things wrong with people who have been psychoanalysed. You have nem while conducting a conver-sation. Divide 178 by 4.9 with-out letting anyone know. He will immediately create a character, and that character will be distracted."

Pollack has produced two movies to fill in the gaps between directing, but naturally, perhaps, he would like the future to lie in the hardest area for him: writing. "A film of mine takes two years. I can measure out the rest of my life by how many films I have left, like coffee spoons. You have to like something that takes two years out of your life more than going to see a two-hour movie. And firecting is a young man's game, It's physically hard work. You get up at 6 in the morning six days a week, you're freezing cold in the snow or burning hot in the desert, you're taking care of everyone's problems. The actor doesn't like the actress, the weather changes, you're a million dollars over budget. You go back to the hotel and see yesterday's rushes. Perhaps you have time for one drink before the story conference. You have a production meeting and you fall asleep over dinner. Then you go to bed and you can't sleep because you're worrying about tomorrow.

"I'm interested in the problems of age. Twenty years have gone just like a kid walking to school looking at the lines to make tife journey shorter. I'd like to get it on paper, but you can't make films about problems, it's too pretentious. You have to do a caper and include

Playhouse BBC 2

Michael Ratcliffe

"Nothing matters, Peter.
Accept that and be happy".
"Things do matter, Michael, and you know it". It was a not helpful exchange of views, particularly at the end of a blazing British row before a table of heavildered forgingers in Mars. bewildered foreigners in Mace-

Peter (Keith Earron) was a

publisher and Michael (Norman

Rodway) a lecturer at the LSE.

and they had met at a confer-

ence for the first time since

a poisonous misunderstanding

over a dinuer date 10 years earlier. Peter was still married to Cass (Jane Wymark) who was

American, and nice, and Michael to Lucy (Ann Bell) also the best-selling author of books with titles like Baby Talk and Kids' Stuff. At the end of the play Lucy was editing an ency-clopaedia of childhood for Peter and Michael was calling on Cass. A revenger's comedy was implied, and the winner bitterly whistled the play out.
Frederick Raphael wrote The
Best of Friends, which was why
I had assumed that it would offer an aggressive and witty alternative to Match of the Day. In fact Anne Head's production, directed by Derek Lister, was like a musical performance in which none of the players had ever discussed beforehand the time-signature tempo or even the key in which the piece was to be played. An experienced group of television artists almost seemed to be learning their craft as they went along, and however the idea started out (can it really have been written after Glittering Prizes?) I cannot believe that The Best

The script was full of interesting themes imperfectly dramatized (chucked in, rather than placed); the play proper did not begin until the demonic Michael finally appeared, and all that we had learnt about Peter—that he was crayen nom-Peter—that he was craven, pompous and petry—had to be unlearnt as he flinched help lessly before Michael's virulent attack. The women were largely decorative, and the supporting cast, save for the Iron Curtain botter. (State Products) hostess (Susan Kodicek) all from stock, with sometimes barely a word to say and apparently uncertain as to whether they were on camera or not. Mr Barron looked understandably thrown by the inconsistencies in his role, and if Mr Rodway came off best it was because he alone worried his wild lines as if he believed in them and because, in mephistophelian mood, he photographs well and always looks dangerous enough.

of Friends was the kind of shapeless result any of them

bad in mind.

Glenys Roberts at any minute, to strike a fatal



Manual II Palaeologus, 1407

# Romance and history saved from oblivion

Mistra

(Thames & Hudson, £9.50) The main stream of world history has not flowed through the Pelopoonese aince the fourth century BC. But it has seldom been a backwater: more a backmaelstrom; where Latin met Greek, Orthodox met Catholic and Oroman, and Middle Ages met the Classical world. In this short history of the Byzan-tine capital of the Peloponnese the Gibbon of our generation examines these many collisions that influenced our world today. Mistra, named from a conical local cheese called Myzithra, was the great castle built in Vas the great casts and in 1249 on a precipitous foothill of Taygerus by William II of Villehardouin, the Frankish Prince of Achaes. At the Renaissance it was taken to be ancient Sparta. But in fact the city of Helen and Lycurgus was a mile or two east in the lush valley

for a rest cure, not even for today's panning tourists. It was fought over by Franks, Greeks, Venerians, Genoese, Byzantines, Knights Hospitaller, Turks, Egyptians, Albanians . Jou name them. Brigandage and treachery were the local sports. It is a history rich with political intrigue, dynastic ambition, and peny battles frught behind the Hayamilian access the improvement. Hexamilion across the isrumus. It is also a history of Byzantine complexity, when six centuries are compressed into 150 pages. You need to have a strong head for names to keep your Palaco-

Grand Tourists. For a brief period early in

With the eloquence, learning, and love of his subject that we have come to expect from him, Sir Steven demonstrates how Mistra is one of the tangled main roots to our golden past.

with Donald Wolfit nombs. to formance of his career. Among other things, The Dresser is just the kind of

Royal Exchange, Manchester

Irving Wardle

As the author of a magnificent biography of Donaid Wolfit and as Wolfit's dresser for five years, Ronald Harwood wisely prefixes this fine play with a firm denial of having dramatized his life with the boss. A backstage drama set mainly in the No. One dressing room it has obvious dressing room, it has obvious links with Wolfit, but it is much more a general celebration of what Mr Harwood calls the "unfashionable theatre"—the beroically undervalued race of actor-managers who upheld the British classical tradition for two centuries until their line died out with Wolfit himself.

Having cast a wide net, Mr Harwood draws it tight by con-fining himself to the events of one night on a 1942 provincial tour. Sir has collapsed in the tour. Sir has collapsed in the street and been taken into hospital, leaving his dresser, Norman, and the rest of the stage crew wringing their hands in the midst of an air raid awaiting the first cancellation in the company's history. Of course, the gallant old monster lumbers in just in time to be coaxed into his Lear costume,

a hero to his valet. It is also through Courtenay's performance that the play's last penny drops. Not only does he

and to stride on, braving the suggest a fool, he is the Fool: with which the events of Sir's fareweil engagement mirror those of King Lear. The air raid parallels the storm, Lear's melodramatic suspense story in depleted retinue is reflected in wartime casting ("I'm reduced which the old actors excelled. But it also accommodates quantities of backstage lore, superto old men, cripples, and nancy boys"), and Sir goes through the piece trying to discover who loves him best as a prelude to an autobiographical division of his kingdom; and the action stition, old actors' jokes ("What—fifty of my followers with the clap?"!, and routine tensions of getting the show ou. It is here that Norman earns his title role—it being his job to rouse the inertly demoralized hulk in the make-up chair into the semblance of kingship, take him through his reaches its climax after his death with the dresser's dis-covery that he has been left

Michael Elliott's production forgotten opening lines, and protect him from the discontented wife, irate stage manager, and seductive ingenue who besiege the dressing room door. is split between the hovelis split between the hovel-dressing room, and a scaffold-ed wing area (loud with timps and thundersheets) leading to a partly visible stage outside the containing perimeter of Laurie Dennett's setting: which is fine if you happen to be sit-ting in the right place. Cour-tensy is partnered by Freddie Jones, a specialist in old-actor mannerisms, who compasses the The role offers a superb spring-board for the ugly-duckling tenacity of Tom Courtenay, standing old-maidish on guard over his chief in mannerisms, who compasses the paoic, exhaustion. booming authority, and bursts of charm and lechery without ever succumbing to the character's own baggy warrime trousers, sulking, cajohng, fighting off intruders, and keeping himself going with a half bottle of Scotch. The habits of a whole working life rhetoric. My only reservation is that he presents Sir as a bas-been, which is not, I believe, Mr Harwood's view of the seem to have gone into the portrait which passionately asserts that the master can be Wolfit breed, Of the smaller parts, Carol Gillies and Lock-wood West stand out in an excellent company.

**Private Lives** Greenwich

Ned Chaillet

This is the play where every line shimmers with the tone of voice that identifies Noel Coward's wit at its most refined, where the audience walks out whistling the one song about moonlight and love that Coward used to show the binding affecrion between the long-divorced couple, Elyot and Amanda, des-pite their fresh, unconsummated

marriages to others.

The accents of Coward and Gerurde Lawrence have even left a permanent colour on the lines of droll conflict, when Amanda and Elyot meet again on the balcony of the French hotel, where they have inevitably matched up on the same night, but the lines retain an individual to the lines retain and the same of the sa independent life, and connected with the right actors, they can provide fresh surprise. In Alan Strachan's production for the play's fiftieth anniversary, that

life is richly there. In the five-minute scene that distils the arrection, courtship, passion and quarrels of Elyot and Amanda and shows them as perfectly matched mates and opponents Michael Jayston and Maria-Airken spar eloquently, surrender to their reawakened. passion, with convincing mad-ness and manage to celebrate the finely tuned comedy of Coward's lines in their distinc-

Then again, in Private Lives, personal style, to be seriously overflows. Not only do the Coward's judgment of style is regarded by Elyot and Amanda audience—of all classes—go, so exact, his mastery of three-around, but they bluster, pout, delighted.". Live voices.

sidered, that there is no surprise in the triumphant foolery of Mr Strachan's production. From that amazing first act, as familiar and quotable as anything that Oscar Wilde ever wrote, but harbouring the skeletons and sexuality of real people, beneath the froth, Coward's second act slices neatly back into the resumed love of Elyot and Amanda, except with the state of the second act slices neatly back into the resumed love of Elyot and Amanda, except with the state of the second secon

actly at the point where bliss has become abrasive. From being well-matched lovers, still warm from the delight of "living in sin" for the past three days in the eyes of all except the Catholic Church (theo, as now, the major believer in perfect marriages), the two settle into conversation, probably the first since they fled their new spouses for Amanda's flat in

When the subject of other lovers during their divorce unsurprisingly appears, their wit turns sharply into jealousy and Mr Jayston and Miss Aitken duel brilliantly in the enforced silences, meant to preserve their happiness. As the violent pillow fights and broken records of their past loom ever closer, the role of peacemaker switches back and forth in desperation, culminating in that precise entrance by the aban-

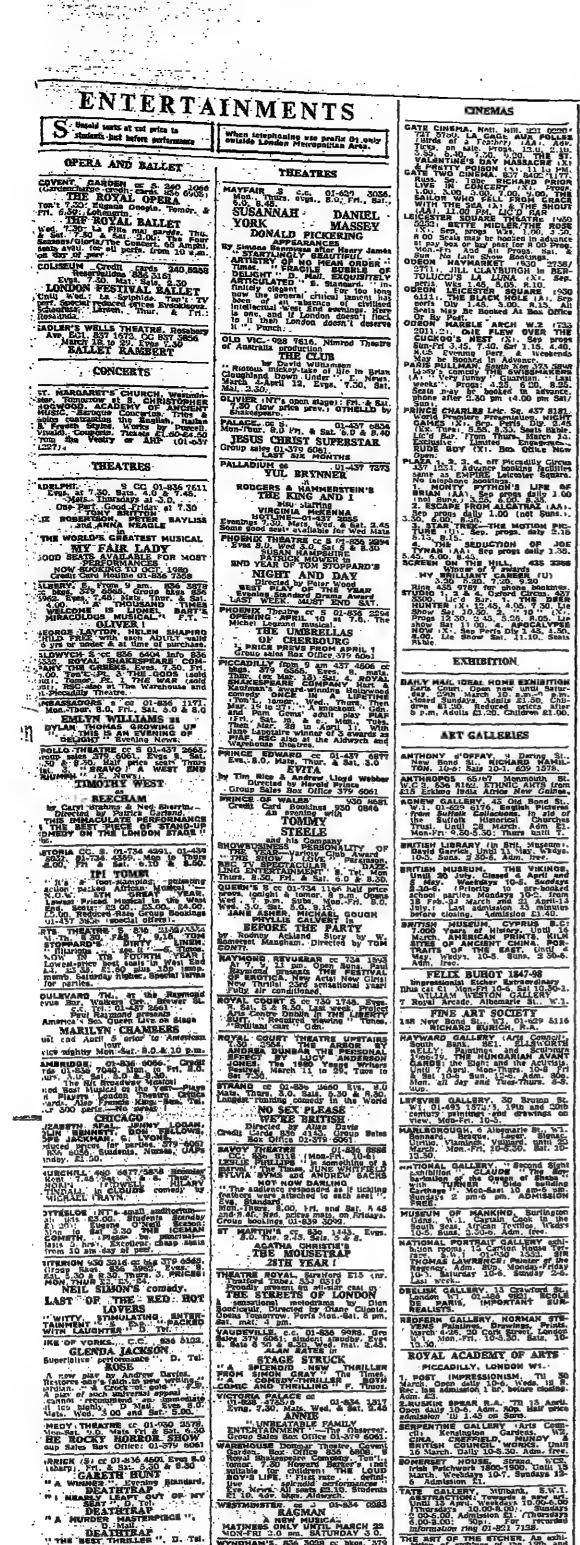
act reasonably and violently, with all the strength of their erstwhile mases. They lack the matching flippancy and easy turn of phrase that distinguishes the roles of Mr Jayston and Miss Aitken, but underneath Mr Collier's stuffy understanding and Miss Quayle's skittish Ioolishness they show the same passion and capacity for

More than a worthy reminder of the play's anniversary, Mr. Strachan's production shows how comedy can be brought alive. As Miss Aitken radiates elegance and Mr. Jayston deals wittily in assured aggravation, detarmined to keep everything. determined to keep everything trivial, there is no slackness at all in the comic momentum. It works right down to the delightfully disapproving French maid of Lesley Gregson.

#### Dion Boucicault at Stratford

The Streets of London, by Dion Boucicault, will be the next production at the Theatre Royal, Stratford, E. from tomorrow until April 12.

The Streets of London was last produced in the West End in 1933. The play was an instant success when it was first Mr Strachan has wisely given staged in London in 1864. Sibyl and Victor a vital independence of their own, casting Jenny Quayle and Ian Collier, who both demonstrate enough personal style, to be seriously manufactured in the piece is really drawing all the town and filling the house with nightly personal style, to be seriously



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man in my experience: a film director who admits he 'istens to his critics. Continental admirers have seen in his atest ilm The Electric Horseman, which opens in London this week, all the great American themes. Pollack set out foremost to make a romantic caper against some magnificent For an American director he is a favourite subject of study among French and Italian

of Las Vegas and put him in the wilderness you start to see ecological themes, but that's all subservient to the narrative line which is a fable about a down-and-out drunken rodes

ever made. "I don't feel particularly optimistic at mis time in life, nor did I feel particularly pessimistic when I made They Shoot Horses, Don't They? which was a very depressing look at society made exactly 10 years ago,
"One American critic pointed

out that at the end of the '60's I had made the film which was the quintessential view of the feelings of the 60s, the scepticism about the way we treated each other. Now, after the '70s I've made this sweet, gentle thing. It's not better, but it's different, like growing up. "The fact is we've just dusted

off an old form of movie-making which I always found very satisving when I was a kid, and you couldn't do it in the '60s and

Sydney Pollack with Robert Redford Horseman any sooner. In fact I personality, so when he asked is such a big field you are may with it even now. I thought it might be considered was flattered. I found I was good at it and teaching became Pollack has produced the personality, so when he asked is such a big field you are always learning."

Following Electric Horseman Pollack has produced the personality of " Of course we had to update

some of the convention. In the '30s and '40s the bad guys would have been led off in handcuffs, whereas in fact they win too. whereas in fact they win too. The lovers would have gone off into the sunset: in this case they don't stay together, no way they could, though while they're up there in the mountains of Utah in sleeping bags they have a wonderful time."

Pollack, who grew up in the Mid-West, shot these scenes 300 wiles courty.

miles south of his country home on the estate of Robert Redford who plays the Electric Horseman himself. "You have to be in the right mood to go there and you have to go with the right mentle wing gren't the right people who aren't going to try and order room service every five minutes. Just to get a pack of cigarettes you have to have a snow plough and a four-wheel drive, then a

car down the mountain to the base station followed by a mountainous road into town."

Foods manoeuvres this terrain throughout in high heels straight from Saks Fifth Avenue nr Bloomingdale's, as Redford raums ber, never quite getting the name right. She gives an endearing performance which is easier to do for Pollack than many directors because of his own background in acting. He was a graduate of Sanford Meissner's Method school in unway and kiss lugrid BergNew York and landed immedian goodbye in a trenchcoat, ate leads. He was my big hero
at I wanted to. I don't think and changed my life by the
could have made Electric force of his perceptions and

good at it and teaching became my primary source of income. I was carning \$500 a week teaching and \$125 in summer "The Method got a bad name

to convince the actor that the way to get at his emotions is to duplicate the process which goes on in life, which is to do something they really know how to do which brings with it a certain emotion, rather than concentrate on the emotion itself and manufacture it artificistly. You start with a simple ohysical task: you might give him a difficult divisional prob-

Pollack was soon invited to Poliack was soon invited to coach professional actors. Then he was asked by John Frankenheimer to work with a couple of child actors in California, which led to his first directing job on television. "I didn't want to do it. Now, of course, I know it is more rewarding than know it is more rewarding than acting because you are in charge of everything and are stimulated to want to know about everything: optics, painting photography, architecture, rhythm, editing, music, plus the performance and the writing. It

bout tomorrow.

Classical tradition that died out

Byzantine Capital of the Pelo-By Steven Runciman

of the Eurotas.
In spite of its position,
Mistra has never been a place logus distinct from your Canta-cuzenus, and your Navarrese Company from your Florentine bankers.

But the effort is worth it for the romance and the history rescued from oblivion. Beauti-ful girls inherit Euboea, or throw themselves off castle walls to avoid the autorous arrestions of consumers. Silv wans to avoid the anjarous attentions of conquerors. Silk robes are sent from the silk farms as an annual homage to the Doge. A French Abbé devotes his life to demolishing classical sites. Carbolic priests are sent to Mistra rather as a punishment for their own sins that the correct the circust. than to correct the sins of others. A Pretender to the orders. A Freiender to the purple of Constantinople offends his patron, the Pope, by marrying a tart. In 1805 the English Inn at Mistra was serving roast beef and port for

the fifteenth century Mistra blossomed as a cultural centre for Europe. The neo-Platonist George Gemistus Plethon (" fullness", and an echo of Plato), the most original of the Byzantine philosophers, founded a school there under the enlightened patronage of the Despoens Cleope, and helped to kindle the Enlightenment. The Byzantines loved disputation. And their taste for it has been inherited by the art historians who deal with Byzantium today. But to many of us Mistra's freecopes of Despots and Saims seem gloriously fit for a civilized glorously fit for a civilized capital city. Fittingly it was at Mistra that Goethe placed the meeting between Faust and fair, frail Helen, for at Mistra the new world discovered that the old had not been forgotten.

Philip Howard

# The political debate of the decade?

Those who fear that the art of political oratory is dying might care to make their way to the Methodist Central Hall, Westminster, a week tonight where six of the most forceful and persuasive speakers in contemporary will be porary British politics will be taking part in what has already dubbed the debate of the

decade.

The theme of the debate is the crisis and future of the left in Britain. Speaking on one side, representing the left wing of the Labour Party, will be Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, MP. Mr Stuart Holland, MP, and Mrs Audrey Wise. On the other side, representing the extra-parliamentary far left, will be Mr Tariq Ali, of the Interna-tional Marxist Group, Mr Paul Foot, of the Socialist Workers' -Party an dMiss Hilary Wainwright an independent socialist who has been active in the women's movement and in trade union campaigns to relop alternative strategies to counter redundancies.

· Although the subject and the participants may seem to en-compass a rather narrow part of the spectrum of contempo-rary political argument in Britain, the debate will be none the less real or interesting than if it involved social democrats or even Thatcherites.

the audience with us. By the end of the debate Black Dwarf the newspaper of the International Marxists) had outsold

Mr Rowthorn recalls: "Tariq

Mr Rowthorn recalls: "Tariq was really quite demagogic. The whole thing was very heavily weighted against the Labour Party. I would expect next week's debate to be a much more evenly matched affair. The balance has completely changed. The far left groups have become much weaker and the Labour left much stronger. In 1969 Tariq All was the main draw in publicity terms. Now it is Tony Benn."

Mr Ali admits he is going

to have a much tougher struggle this time. He regards Mr Benn as a much more for-

midable adversary than Mr Foot, whom he dismissed in 1969 as "a Victorian re-

rmer". He says: "Fnot is 100 per

cont a parliamentarian. He really does see the struggle as

heing inside Parliament. Benn

sees the importance of extra-

and he has a much greater

the war. They believed—probably cor-rectly—that the war would only stop once Zanu (PF) and Mr Nkomo's

Patriotic Front were in power. It was a belief Zanu (PF) encouraged by warning people that fighting would

Another reason for Bishop Muzo-

rewa's collapse was that his adminis-

tration became too closely identified

Black wages, already pathetically low, remained largely unchanged be-cause, it was explained, any increase

might upset the profitability of Euro-

pean-owned companies and lead to

ay-offs. Bishop Muzorewa also lost

widespread black support for auth-

orizing Rhodesian security force raids on Patriotic Front camps in neighbouring Zambia and Mozambique. "He killed our own kith and

kin", remarked an African whose

But if the whites were stunned by

brother died in one of these raids.

the scale of Mr Mugabe's victory, they have been equally amazed by

the moderate and conciliatory remarks

made by the Zanu (PF) leader since

the election. The British advisers at

delighted, although they have con-fessed to little surprise, saying that they knew all along that Mr Mugabe

"really a good chap at beart

For the past few years Mr Mugahe has been regarded by Rhodesian

whites-and some blacks as well-as

a terrorist and a communist who was

determined to impose a Marxist sys-

tem on Rhodesia by force. Yet all of a sudden, on the evening of the announcement of the election results, there was the "Comrade Prime Mini-ster-designate" appearing on tele-

vision screens to promise that civil service pensions would be assured. Lieutenant General Peter Walls would

continue in charge of the security

forces and that there would almost

with protecting white interests.

resume if Mr Mugabe did not win.

Since the Levellers and sol-diers of Cromwell's New Model Army debated the best form of constitution to give a country freed from monarchical rule in 1647 at Putney, the left has condistently provided some of the best argued and most genuine political debates in Britain. Next Monday's looks like being

no exception. The last public debate be-tween the far left and the Labour left was held in the same venue in January 1969 when Mr Tariq Ali and Mr Bob Rowthorn, a lecturer in economics at Cambridge University who was then a member of the Enternational Socialists, took on Mr Eric Heffer and Mr Michael

It was a stormy occasion. In former those heady days of student revolt, the youthful audience was almost 100 per cent behind the speakers from the far left and the two Labour MPs were

broad and hissed.
"I think everyone agreed that we wiped the floor". Mr Ali says. " but then we did have

Salisbury
Shortly after the extent of Mr Robert
Mugabe's election victory became
known last week, a senior British
member of the Commonwealth monitoring force handed a pistol to one of
the principal British policy makers at

Government House, saying that as the British administration had so

totally miscalculated the poll result he ought to take the only honourable

course left open to him.

The British officer was joking, of course, but behind the jest was the

conviction that the Foreign Office

had boobed once again over Rhodesia. Significantly. Lord Soames.

anything to do with Rhodesia before

he came to Salisbury last December, guessed more accurately than his advisers. He estimated Mr Muzabe would win well over 40 seats while his advisers were still forecasting that Zanu (PF) would not get above the mid-30s

Undoubtedly the main reason

Mr Mugabe's landslide was the fact

that most people were voting for

peace For the past seven years the black population has suffered a bitter and increasingly bloody civil war in which at least 27,000 people

died, tens of thousands more were wounded and an incalculable amount

of damage done to homes, crops and

livestock. During the two months before the election the rural popula-

tion has enjoyed a state of semi-peace brought about by the Common-

wealth force that was monitoring the

ceasefire. It was only a fragile truce (290 people died between the end of December and the end of Feb-

ruary; the figure would have been more than 3,500 if there had been no

ceasefire) but it meant that for the

first time in years villagers could move around without fear of being

shot or attacked. They wanted to

Bishop Muzorewa won a landshi e

victory during last April's "internal settlement" election hecause he promised peace. That election was

not the total fraud that people have

subsequently said it was: but his defeat this time was simply due to the fact that he had not been able to fulfil his election pledge. During

his six months in office the wer

the voters gave their support to the

became infinitely worse so this time

keen it that way.

the mid-30s.



What future for the left? Tariq Ali. Hilary Wainwright, Paul Foot, Peter Hain, Audrey Wise, Anthony Wedgwood Benn

be older as well. debate The was set up in 1978 by a group of left-wing Labour MPs and activists who felt the Tribune group was not sufficiently organized or vigorous. It is the brainchild of Mr Feter Hain, the former Young Liberal and anti-spartheid campaigner who loined the Lahour Party in the Labour Party in

The idea of the debate came

Mr Hain, who will be chair-ing the debate, hopes that it will explore particularly the relationship between the left and the numerous community groups which have sprung up in the last ten years. This is also a theme which interests Miss Wainwright. She sees a curious paradox in the fact that while industrial and community while industrial and community organizations among the work-ing classes are stronger than in any previous recession, the general belief in socialism is weaker. "I lay the blame for that on the Labour Party", she

Labour Party side all stress that they do not want to turn the debate into either a gladiatorial contest or a recruiting drive. Mr Benn is looking forward to Mr Benn is looking forward to "a very useful meeting—not so much a debate as an attempt to analyse the situation". Mrs Audrey Wise feels "there will be more interesting points raised than in 1969 in that the argument will be couched much more in our terms. It is for them to justify their position much more than it is for us to justify ours". justify ours

Oratorical fireworks are not ruled out, however, Mr Stuart Holland promises that if Tariq Ali proves true to his old style, "we could respond in style, "we could respond in kind and he might find it rougher going than last time round".

Mr Ali is keeping his powder dry and not letting on whether he will be gentler towards the Labour Party than he was 11 years ago. Anyone wanting a ringside seat on Monday is advised to hurry-so far more than 1,700 of the 2,500 available

Ian Bradley

# Did Titoism mean the death of Stalinism?

A great deal has been written the less a great advance recently about Tito the man, pared to other community to the Second World states, and if one takes

his role in the Second World War and the stand he took against Stalin in 1948. His story is an heroic one and the praises heaped upon him have been well deserved.

There is one aspect of President Tito and the Yugoslav situation, however, which needs amplification, and that is the important part played by the Yugoslav communists in breaking down the monodithic Stalinist nature of communist parties

ing down the monolithic Stalinist nature of communist parties throughout the world.

On June 28, 1948, the Cominform, previously based in Belgrade, issued a statement from Bucharest, declaring that "The Information Bureau condemnishe anti-Soviet attitude of the leaders of the Communist Party of Yugoslavia as incompatible with Marxism-Leninism and only fit for nationalists." fir for mationalists ".

As world communist parties gradually severed all connexions with the Yugoslav communists, Cominform hysteria increased. That awful, boring Cominform paper, For a Lasting Peace, for a People's Democracy in a lead and administration of the program of the property of the peace of article entitled "Fascist Beasts Run Amok "in September, 1949, Run Amok "in September, 1949, said." The bourgeois nationalist Tito clique in Yugotlavia having taken the anti-Sovier, anti-Marxist path, has reached the logical end of its anti-communism—Fascism." A few weeks letter, it was almost gentle, saying, "The Tito clique has taken another step towards restoring capitalism in Yugo-Bayla."

Prior to the Cominform con-demnstion of Tito and the Yugo-slav communists, the Yugoslav party had been regarded as the party closest to the Soviet model. The editor of the Daily Warker in Britain, Bill Rust, the written a pamphlet saying as much, but this was hestily withdrawn from circulation withdrawn from circulation.

once the Soviet-dominated Com-inform had spoken.

After breaking with the Russians, the Yugoslav com-munists continued to use Soviettype bureaucratic methods. Circumstances, however, forced them to become less rigid and to seek new ways of organizing their economy. Milowan Dillas, he dissident ex-communist in reflectual party leader and past prisoner of Tito, in a recent interview with George Urban, recorded in last December's issue of Encounter, clearly makes the point. Our recogni-tion of the truth about Russia was a gradual process even form. It was during my visit to Russia in early 1948 that it began to dawn on me that this was a bad system. But I still failed to understand that ours

in Yugoslavia was not, after all, great deal better". The reel and besic change set took place in Yugoslavia was the adoption of a system. of workers' councils in industry, In June 1950 the Yugoslav Federal Assembly passed a law establishing workers councils. It was, however, a deformed democratic development, because whilst democratic conepts were applied to industry, they were not applied to society as a whole. Yugoslavia today, whilst being the most liberated of all the communist countries, nevertheless continues to be a one-party state. There are no free elections of the type we know, and it is that failure to apply democratic concepts to politics that causes real concern in Yugoslavia.
The demand for workers' councils was one of the Leninist

logans in 1917. Unfortunately, was not really developed in the Soviet Union, but only revived in a communist state by the Yugoslavs after 1948. The institution of workers' councils was therefore the unique contribution the Yugoslavs made to socialist development. They were undoubtedly influenced by the works of Professor G. D. H. Cole, whose ideas, whilst rejecting a narrow view of politics, nevertheless provided theoretical underpinnings for the Yugoslav experiment, one of the most interesting and important of

There is no doubt that Yugn-slavia fails as the ideal for what Cole would consider to be a real democracy, but it is none

consideration the various pr lems of the Yugoslav sta living under constant press from Russia, internal natio tensions, cultural diversity, remarkable.
It is worth remembering

each time there has been democratic upsurge in any the East European Commu the East European Commu-states, the demand for work councils has arisen. occurred in East Germ. Poland, Hungary and Cze-slovakia. It is the nat demand of working people rid themselves of bureaucy control, without actually reg-ing socialized industry by state ownership. gate ownership.

It is not surprising, there that workers councils with t direct control over the pro support among the Sc leadership. Even Khruscher populist Soviet leader, was impressed when he vi Yugoslavia and was shown the workers councils were di He is reported as saying we were to introduce councils in our factories whole industry would coll

vernight."
Whether Soviet or other European leaders like it or the demand for workers to a serious one, especially ing periods of internal crisi Isaac Deutcher wrote about Polish spring, in his

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Russia, China and the The Polish workers were to translate the intelligen call for de-Stalinization democratization, into specifi dustrial demands of their For them, democratization meant first of all, the wor direct control over industr the abolition of an centralized economic dic ship by bureaucracy that ridden roughshod over the ers' rights and needs that the Yugosiay conc workers councils has spre

all parts of the East Eur communist bloc. To the S revisionists " undermined the power bureaucracies governing communist regimes. The ese communists under Mac particularly incensed with Tugoslavs. The significance of the

made by Tito is that he an party were the first to the Stalinist monolith. 1948, polycentrism, to Togliatti's term, devel amongst the communist pa It is a continuing develop which has brought a approach to European com ism. Whatever criticisms may have of Tito, his contion towards a democratic Stalinist communism is ir great. As Dillas soid in Urban interview, "Most hegemony over what is le the world communist move is dead. Tito and his fri Dillas among them, began

Liverpool, Walton. C Times Newspapers, 198

> The inauguration cereme the monuments of Pl referred to in a feature a in The Times on Saturday, he performed by Presi performed by Presi Sadat today.

The author is Lahour Mi.

# and Stuart Holland on the case for and against.

appeal to militant workers."
Next week's debate will also more evenly matched than the last one in another respect. The Times commented that the 1969 contest was very much one between youth and age. This time all the participants are over the age of 30. Those in the rad corner will represent 139 years of fighting for socialism, while those in the very red corner are only marginally less experienced with 109 years of waiting for the revolution to dawn between them. The audience is likely to

organised by the Labour co-ordinating committee, which parliamentary movements. His relations with shop stewards are much stronger, for example.

to him for two reasons: "I felt the left in its broadest sense was to a very week state. in a state of crisis in fact, with the decline of student activism. At the same time, when we are facing a reactionary offensive from the present Government I feel we cannot afford the luxury of indulging in the normal internedine war that characterizes the left. We can

Mr Mugabe and the forces

that are slowing him down

ertainly be whites in his new.
'National Front' Government,

Mr Mugabe's post-election broad-cast was masterly. He said all the

right things about achieving peace and stability, upholding the rule of law and protecting individual pro-

perty rights. This did not sound like

Marxism. In fact he had been saying

much the same ever since his return

to Riodesia six weeks ago, but few whites then bothered to take any

Having been driven to the depths

white confidence has at least been

portially restored as a result of his

broadcast and subsequent statements.

(The fact that Mr Mugabe is still

committed to the eventual establish-

ment of a socialist state in Zimbabwe seems to have been overlooked.)

their bags in preparation for a hasty

exit have unpacked them again. The

widespread speculation that had existed before the election of a white-

backed coup should the Patriotic

Front parties win has temporarily sub-

sided. There is now a general feeling that Mr Mugabe should be given a

chance to show that his actions match

First, Mr Mugabe has to form his new

government. If, as seems likely, it includes at least one member of the Rhodesian Front party (Mr David Smith, former Minister of Finance, is

being tipped for a cabinet posts this

should have a moderating influence

during the initial stages of the new

However, a far more important factor that will determine the be-

haviour of Mr Mugabe's government

will be the continued presence in the country of the white-led Rhodesian

security forces, which are still intact and undefeated. Although Mr Mugabe

will be the country's democratically-

This is likely to take some time.

his words.

administration.

People who had started packing

despair by the election result,

says, "it lays too much empha-sis on the state and on Paritament and it is unable to de-

velop extra - parliamentary organizations." The three speakers from the

elected Prime Minister, real power will lie with the army for the foresee-

able future. Mr Mugabe's own army of

17,000 guarrillas is largely impotent.

dispersed as it is around 11 remote

and vuinerable assembly camps. Mr Mugabe will therefore be able to do

of the security forces, which essen-

tially means the senior white officers

Mr Musabe appreciates this con-

straint on his authority, which is one

of the reasons why he has tried to sound so conciliatory (he also genuinely does not want to see an

exodus of whites). So does President Samora Machel of Mozambique, who

in recent months has been one of the

principal moderacing influences on the Zanu (PF) leader. President Machel has emphasized to Mr Mugabe the need to avoid any precipitate

actions that could lead to any early

white exodus or renewed conflict between rival black factions. He has

pointed out the dangers of an internal white-backed coup or intervention by South Africa should Mr Mugabe try

Mr Mugabe's decision to retain General Walls, who will preside over the integration of the guerrillas with

the regular army, is a clear recog-nation by him of the continued power

of the security forces. General Walls, who has been one of the more constructive members of the Rhodesian

administration during the past two

months of British rule, is unlikely to

accept any moves which he sees as

seriously undermining white interests

or in any way effecting the efficiency and stability of the armed forces.

Therefore, Mr Mugabe will have to

bide his time and hope that a com-

bination of early retirements and

resignations will enable him to estab-

security forces. However, in doing this

he is likely to come under pressure

progressive control

to move too fast.

from his own guerrille commanders who will be anxious for early promo-tion as a reward for their part in Mr

Mugabe's political victory. Other problems are likely to pose hemselves before that. Foremost is the lack of administrative experience in the Zanu (PF) leadership which will soon be running the country. The party is long in ideology but short on administrative raient. The actual functioning of the new government is likely to be erratic, particularly if a number of senior and middle-rabing Civil servants. middle-ranking Civil servants carry out their intention to resign during

There are also bound to divisions with the Zanu (PF) coaliyears of co-leadership of the Patriotic Front alliance, Mr Mugabe and Mr Nkomo have always been uneasy partners. The fact that the two par-ties contested the election separately illustrates the division between them Many people in Zanu (PF) regard Mr Kkoma as a political opportunist. Mr Nkomo, who deeply resented the degree of intimidation his party suf-fered at Zanu (PF)'s hands during the election campaign, wil be a reluc-tant junior partner in the coalition government.

The fact that the political leaders of the country's Shops majority and Ndebele minority will be represented in the new government should pre-vent the inter-tribal warfare which had been widely predicted. The various constraints on Mr Mugabe's authority ought to deter him from taking any actions that could provoke a white exodus and possible white retaliation. And there may well be peace now that the causes of the war have been removed.

The men fighting that war have won the power they were striving for. All in all, the election result may turn out to be the best for everyone concerned, and British policy makers will be able to return to London in the knowledge that. despite some miscalculations, everything turned out well in the end, that the initiative which began at Lancaster House has proved to be a notable foreign policy success.

Nicholas Ashford

#### DIARY OF THE OLD SOUTH

My provocative question failed at first to provoke. "What", I asked John Counally, who is running for President. "is so special about the South? What makes you think you can do well here when you have done so badly in the North?"

so badly in the North?"
We were at a private airport outside Atlanta, where he was making the aerial equivalent of stop during his campaign for votes in tomorrow's Georgia primary. Clearly he felt I neither the time nor the place to delve into the special virtues of the southern states. so he answered with some unrevealing remarks about his campaign strategy. But the question was not

wasted because after the news conference I was drawn aside by a distinguished looking man with thinning white hair, exuding vigour. He was Admiral Thomas Moorer, head of the joint chiefs of staff in Washington from 1970 to 1974. He is from Alabama and a member of Mr Connally's national campaign committee.

"I want to answer your question," he said. "To understand the South vou have to remember that it is the only part of the country that has ever been invaded. That's why to accommodate the South, there are so many southerners the structure has become broad

in the armed services and why they're the most active on the

"They know what it was to be attacked. Governor Connally the was once Governor of Texas and is allowed to keep the titles understands that. "People in the South have

a lot more roots. They're not transient. They're a different breed from people in the Northeast and on the West Coast. " They perceive that they need a leader who they can he sure will make security a priority interest of the United States. interest of the United States. They have a greater understanding of what America needs.

The stubborn peskiness of southerners, their certainty of the correctness of their opinions, was what encouraged them to try to secede from the Union, Though it happened more than 100 years ago, no-body is inclined to forget. "You'd think the Civil War

was yesterday," said a trans-planted New Yorker who has lived in Atlanta for two years. Perversely, that attitude is an important ingredient of the glue which today holds the Union together. For in having

and flexible enough accommodate anything. In the South more than elseinterference

fought. Moreover, the chilly states north of the Mason-Dixon line are viewed as hotbeds of liberal thinking, thwarting the efforts of right-minded southern folk to restore the country to greatness. American conservatives have a weakness for metaphors and moral fables. "Look at it this

way," said a worker in Mr Con-nally's Georgia campaign, "the country is in the mire, right?

We right-wingers want to pull her out. But along come the left-wingers and say: 'Hold it. You're pulling too hard'. So pervasive is the suspicion of Washington that the smart lawyers defending Mr Bert Lance in his long-drawn-out hank fraud trial are leaning on it in their effort to win the sympathy of the Atlanta jury. In his opening statement his chief attorney said that Mr Lance, formerly President Carter's budget director, was being hounded by "powerful forces in Washington."

He painted a benish picture of his client as an open-handed country banker with a policy of granting generous loans-



the archetypal "good old boy" of gracious southern society. Some of those loans went to members of his family and, when questioned about them by prying federal inspector Mr Lance decently repaid them out of his own pocket,

A casual attitude to money, especially other people's, seems a Georgian characteristic. While I was there another prominent local politician, Mr Eugene Holley, was convicted with others of converting

\$1.8m, borrowed on behalf of their companies, to their own

And let us not forger the senior senator from Georgia, Mr Herman Talmadge, chastised by his Senate colleagues for taking cash presents from people with legislative interests to pursue. He is still held in high enough regard at home to have a reception organized in his honour at \$200 a ricket, attended by many of Atlanta's most respected citizens.

If the subject matter of the Lance trial has a southern flavour, so two does its ambiance. In the recesses, in the famed southern corridors, fame courtesy prevails.

Mr Lance greets and beams paternally at perfect strangers. He holds hands with his loyal wife, Labelle, seldom absent from the public seats. He and his three co-defendance char cheerfully, and from time to the boom of companion-laughter throbs through the corridors.

Visitors to the South are struck, sometimes taken aback, the compulsive politeness. How ya doing, Hon nounced bun and short for honey), the waitress drawls, hefore guiding you through the

The South has the most original cuisine of any American region. At breakfast, the eggs come with grits, a kind of savoury semolina with a pool of savoury semolina with a pool of melted butter in the middle. If you order your eggs fried lightly you can mash the yolks into the grits, producing a clammy porridge which tastes fine, though it may offend the other senses the first time or two.

serve scones, or what they call biscuits, which come bot and crumbly. In cheap neighbour-hood cafes—the best places to order authentic southern fare the biscuits come with gravy, a thick and salty brew which jells if you do not eat it fast enough. I must mention bush puppies, not shoes but little balls of spiced batter often served with fried fish. Legend says that they used to be thrown to the dogs to keep them quiet at out-door fish fries. When the cooks threw them they would say... well, you know what they would

where vise would I find my most interesting (I shall not call it the best) meal in the south than at a cafe called the Dutch Kitchen in a small town called

Norway in South Carolina, where the railway runs along-side the main street? (It is near another town named Denmark, not far from a third named North, To name a town so that its address reads." North, South Carolina " should be an offence under an ordinance banning cruelty to post-

When I approached the selfservice counter it was to a barrage of the usual multiplechoice questions. Choosing (what else?) fried chicken, I Instead of toast they often next had to name two vege-tables: black-eyed peas and rice. With the rice I was entitled in gravy and another quiz: the steak gravy or the chicken gravy? I chose the chicken and managed to wolf it down before it thickened into treacle.
For pudding, southern pies

masters.)

are magnificent, pecan pie being a genuine contribution to international gastronomy. Near Atlanta is a pie emporium where, according to a newspaper article, fanciers can sample dozens of flavours including " hard-to-find strawberry rhubarb

A final point on food : If you are ever within sniffing dis-rance of Savannah. Georgia. hurry to the river front and

gobble a dozen oysters at frog Springer's. Three do a dozen—about half the obtaining at the pyster be Grand Central Station in

By now you will be won ing why I have not menti-

the new south that you read so much about, somet laughingly called the sun (Snow in Atlanta last week freezing in Miami.) The re is that I am not sure I foun Certainly I found those skyscrapers in Atlanta are often produced as proof of a new southern s mainly hotels with high lot and glass-walled lifts which you can look out as ascend. (Note to hotel a teets: this device is no clicae and should only be in places where the viet worth the terror, such as Francisco.)

That, though is the Atlanta rather than the south. In so far as the ph refers to improved race tions it is broadly justified admirable. In other rest there seems no call for a south: the old one is

Michael Leapin

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

school buses

ad hoc engagement of freelance

musicians, as is the case with the

British Broadcasting Corporation, 156 Great Portland Street, W1.

Sir. Now that we are beginning to

Sir. Now that we are beginning to see the stark reality of the current recession at home, I am prompted by one of the symptoms, namely the BBC's proposed economies, to wonder whether we are seeing a tragic repeat of history. To all appearances, following the First World War and the Depression, the cultural life-blood of Britain withdrew to the south-east of England, ereceing an imbalence in the

creating an imbalance in the country from which we have only recently begun to recover.

fecently begun to recover.

I have always regretted the failure to devolve political decision-making to the regions, as much for cultural as political and social reasons, since there seems to be an obvious link between the quality of life and industrial preferences.

of life and industrial performance,

With cultural activity so heavily concentrated in the London area, away from the great centres of production, is it any wonder that

a situation, where responsibility for creating national wealth is left in

the hands of people with little opportunity to be autohing but cultural philistines, should lead to a decline in industrial vigour?

can be seen in what happened to the central areas of our industrial

cities. These great monuments to the Victorian industrial age have

been allowed to disappear without

creative people prompted to stay or be attracted away from the

Metropolis.
For the BBC not to be leading this is acandalous. Would sham to

the way in this is scandalous. Would it be so unthinkable for them to look for sconomies in the south-east

and even for them to throw a greater proportion of their resources into the regions?

A more devolved BBC would be a good start. In this context, to argue for the disbending of say

the BBC Symphony Orchestra itself would be easier than to justify the axing of its regional counterparts. Yours faithfully,

HUGH WAINE. 182 Gloucester Place, NW1.

From Mrs Barbara Hopkinson

Sir, Further to the comments of Mr Raymond Pischer (March 5), with which I heartly agree, since the changes in the wavebands listeners

in this area have been virtually

denied access to Radios 3 and 4,

reception being so poor, and after 6 pm unobtainable.

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Could not some form of radio licence be reintroduced, payable directly to the BBC?

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BARBARA HOPKINSON.

Prom Mrs Mabel Cluer

Yours sincerely.

1 Woodview Court. Greenwood Road,

daily by radio.

Yours faithfully,

Raynes Park, SW20.

M. CLUER.

12 Elm Walk,

March 7.

March 5.

I would suggest that Radio 1 be

More tangible evidence of this

Wren Orchestra. Yours faithfully.

ROBERT PONSONBY.

From Mr Hugh Waine

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# A RIGHT TO DECIDE

The steel strikers' ballot has produced as positive a result as the Government and the British Steel Corporation could reasonably have hoped. Two-thirds of the strikers voted in a ballot which their union had asked them to boycott-though union leaders later said they would be satisfied if their members voted no . Of those who voted 69 per cent were in favour of another ballot being held on the corporation's pay offer.

On an occasion like this, when there is a ballot about a ballot, there is always some room for differing interpretations of the outcome. There has been union criticism of the conduct of the hallot, but while that might have put a very narrow majority in question it cannot possibly invalidate such a sweeping result as this. It might also be argued that it does not follow automatically that all those who voted for another ballot would then vote in such a ballot for acceptance of the pay offer. But if that is not their intention, it. is hard to see why they should now have voted in such a way as to weaken the hands of their union in-trying to extract better terms. They can scarcely have been seeking a further opportunity to demonstrate their solidarity behind their leaders.

which their union has been con- leader who appears not so much 

ducting marters: they want to to represent the wishes of his have their say, which is being denied them by their union, as to whether the pay offer should be accepted. It is highly probable, on the basis of these figures, that if another ballot were held it would reveal a majority in favour of acceptance. If that calculation is wrong, the error should be displayed by giving the strikers the chance to vote. Yet that is precisely what is being refused by Mr William Sirs, the general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, the union with by far the largest number of men involved.

To argue, as he does, that he is under no obligation to hold, such a ballot because not quite half the strikers have voted for it is blatant casuistry. It is an example of a trade union leader with a greater regard for the semblance of his own authority than for the wishes of his mem-bers. If a majority of them want to settle for what is now on offerhe has no right to block that desire. If, despite the evidence of this vote, that is not what the majority want, then he would strengthen his own negotiating hand immensely by allowing their determination to fight on to be demonstrated in a ballot. It is wrong in principle for Mr Sirs not to have a ballot on the merits since they were acting now in of the offer, and it may well defiance of those leaders. prove to be misguided in This shows beyond question practice. Until he changes his that nearly half-of the strikers-position he will be negotiating are dissatisfied with the way in with all the strength of a union

members as to be afraid of them. What then should be the atti-

tude of the Government to today's negotiations? There is always much to be said for the Churchillian principle of magnanimity in victory. But it would be foolish for ministers at this stage to allow an urge to be megnanimous to obscure the reality of victory. When so many of the strikers want the chance to vote on the existing pay offer there is no occasion for the Gov-ernment to do anything to change that offer. They need a victory in this dispute not from a sense of vanity and bravado-even though some of them might be tempted to indulge in such sentiments-but because it is neces-

sary to the logic of their policy. That policy requires that expectations should be reduced through unions recognizing that they cannot extract wage settlements which would be more than employers can afford to pay in the private sector or which would infringe the cash limits set by the Government in the public sector. Ever since the miners' strike of 1974 there has been an assumption that no government could afford to get into a major conflict with a leading union. If the outcome of the steel strike can change that assumption it will be all to the good, because it will have to change if the discipline that is the essence of the Government's

#### ~ NAMIBIA SHOULD BE NEXT

· · · · House conference Lord Carring ton suggested that the Rhodesia settlement might "unlock the door " to a settlement in Namibia At that time Whitehall believed and thereafter con-tinued to believe that free and .- fair elections would put a coalition of moderate men in power. So did the South Africans, While the elections were being the elections were being organized, the labyrinthine proelection for Numbra began to nove towards final agreement netween all parties South Africa, the Namibian legislature. lected in 1978, Swapo, the anti- Hyes and Swapo has most supwapo parties, the five western owers, the United Nations and he frontline presidents (especially President dos Santos of angola for whom a sentlement neant the isolation of the Units

ebels). General Prem Chand is now in South Africa to negotiate a united Nations temporary con-rol of Namion on the lines of he British temporary take-over if " Southern Rhodesia". But Mr wugabe's installation in power iters the calculations of the sarties to fue emergent Namibia iccord. It has to be seen if the outh African Government will uddenly find new difficulties, while for Swapo old difficulties nddenly disappear.

They all appear close to signaure. All attended the Geneva onference which ran parallel to ancaster House. There the plan or a demilitarized zone along the iamibia-Angola border, sixty

MacLeod and

d his new book on haroid har illin. The Last Edwardian at umber Ten, George Huschinson sefully reprints the velocie of Limitacleod's review burichering Ranolph Churchill's book. The Fight of the Tory Leadership, a tendenous account of how Lead Home.

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as manoeuvred man No. 10 by the onservative party's "magic circle" in mig October 1963.

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ibes MacLeod's article as "one if the most remarkable political axis of the era". Certainly its sain consequence, the open ballor elect Conservative leaders by tembers of the 1922 Committee, as been of lasting importance.

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period of disease and party of pullarity. Yet, as Churchill used a paperback to justify Mr. Macleodillan and his works, so Macleodillan are the pullar for self-justification.

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David Wood

the Tory

At the close of the Lancaster miles wide and nearly 700 miles House conference Lord Carring long, proposed by President Neto hefore his death, was worked out in such a way as to meet most of the difficulties between South Africa and Swapo on the disposition of the guerrillas inside Namibia and Angola and of the South African army and para-police inside Namibia. In effect

the demilitarized zone was so drawn as to put the agreed 7,500-man United Nations force

control over a hegemony, would repudiate the Rhodesian election when (as was then expected) it produced a non-Mugabe government. President Nyerere obliged by repudi-

contender for the leadership and

had "emerged".

\*\*Corober 17, wrote MacLead, was "the key day". He added: "It is some measure of the tightness of the magic circle on this occasion that neither the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Msudling) nor the Leader of the House of Commons (MacLead) had any inkling of what was happening." (The following day Donglas-Home went to see the Queen at the Palace.) At luncheon MacLead and Maudling discussed

MarLeod and Maudling discussed Burder "a good deal" referred to Hailsham once; and "Home wa

Halistam once; and home we never mentioned in any connexion. At this point begins a corrective footnote to the history of the affair. First, at least chronologically, in the spring of 1963, when Mr Macmillan began speaking vaguely about the timing of his resignation and a handover at No 10, senior officers if the 1922 Committee had called

of the 1922 Committee had called

on Lord Home and invited him to become a candidate for the succes-

sion. I believe he said neither "yes" nor "no" but he did not

"yes" nor "no" but ne can average the option. At that time Mr.

Macmillan told me he would look

round the Cabinet table and sec plenty of chiefs of staff but no commander in-chief. A well-in-

formed Lender of the Commons and

party chairman, as lain MacLeod

assuredly was should have known of the 1922 executive's moves.

Secondly, the party conference in Blackpool, which had been thrown - into uncharacteristic hysteria by the sudden news of Mr

Macmillan's serious illness and

impending resignation: on the Friday of that Blackpool week lain

Macleod did know that the Home

bandwegon had begun to roll, and

that Rome had become the choice

of "the magic circle".

That day, MacLeod invited Sir Harry Boyne, then political correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, and me to meet him in his suite at the Imperial hotel soon after midnight. Over what he called "long thin scotches", he confirmed that were rife: Lord

rumours that were rife: Lord Home's name had been evolved in

the process of party consultation, and Jain seemed to be determined that the conference should not

disperse next day withour knowing

-Walden) was due to deliver the rally speech on the next aftermoon. as Mr. Macmalan's deputy; and

"Rab" (Lord Butler of Seffron

what threatened.

ating it in advance because he too feared that it would have that outcome. Now, of course, striles all round and handshakes for British fairplay prevail. The South Africans can certainly assume that a defeat for Swapo would be repudiated by the same

Rhodesia must suggest that a Swapo victory, whoever intimidates whom, is distinctly possible. The Zimbabwe precedent will affect all Namibian voters. Like Zanu, Swapo is the nationalist party which got negotiations going by force, as well as being the marxist party, the United Nations party and the party of the largest tribe. The effect of South African aid on Bishop Muzorewa suggests that a similar unpopularity at a secret poli awaits white-approved anti-Swapo

prospect of TUE another marxist-led state on its borders may well frighten Pretoria, quite apart from considerations of economics and communications. The Orange River is not a good frontier. But for other nations, whatever their interests in South Africa, the issue is plain. If free and fair elections on an agreed basis were right for war-torn Rhodesia, they are right for war-dented Namibia. If the people's choice is respected in the one, it is worthy of respect in the other. On the conditions agreed (and they are elaborate) South Africa must be urged to put Namibia's future to the test, and to stand the hazard of the die.

"Rab", as Leader-in-waiting, needed a groundswell inside the conference.

About 2 am Boyne and I left MacLeod and Dr Reginald Bennett, his PPS, and went to the telephones the Imperial hotel to ring our offices and dicrate lain's chapter and verse, and the muances he had added. I remember the occasion with a vividuess that still hurts: I had terrible communication trouble and from the next cubicle I heard Harry's voice persisting paragraph after paragraph with a new lead for his last edition while I still strug-

gled to get through. The essential point is that nobody had gone beyond campaigning, rumour, speculation and guesswork about the choice of the new leader and his evolution by consultation, s far as I was concerned, until that midnight meeting on Friday in Blackpool with Iain MacLeod Lord Dilliorne, the Lord Chancellor, did not confide. Martin Redmayne, the chief whip, stayed scrupulously mum. John Morrison, chairman of the 1922 Committee, and all his senior officers kept their counsel. Iain MacLeod, who for wholly worthy reasons of party strategy as well as reasons of ambition for himself or Reggie Mandling wanted "Rab" to succeed, was the one determined leak.

Yet that is emphatically not the impression that the well-loved lain's review of Randolph Churchill's one-sided book leaves. Even a week after those long thin scotches in the Imperial hotel, he wrote, neither he nor Maudling thought Alec Douglas-Home was a contender, "although for a brief moment his star seemed to have flared at Blackpool".

Eventually, he said, on the after noon of Thursday October 17, he heard from Pleet Street (I suspect from the incomparable Derek Marks of the Daily Express) that the 14th earl had agreed to become a commoner and seen his duty plain.

The story justifies telling, I think, because it shows that the instant histories of principals involved in important or exciting events have to be studied with full allowance for ex parte interest; and, if the instant histories are suspert, especially in a day of Cabinet diaries and Prime Minister's memoirs, what of longer range histories that use contemporary records as their cources? Political history is a special form of

# Collecting fares for Cuts in BBC's music services Furthermore, with respect to Mr Whitney (March 7), we are con-cerned with permanently contracted orchestras, not with the occasional

From the Master of the Queen's

reaction of the British composer.

One foresees other deplorable results of this decision. Mr Robert Ponsonby (March 5) may well

speak of this country's international prestige in music, but he fails to mention that much of this prestige

results from the excellent British

solo performers, conductors, com-posers, orchestral leaders and

orchestral section leaders whose work has been presented to the listening public through the medium of the doorsed orchestras.

tants and composers, evidently considered unsuitable for represen-

tation in the BBC Symphony Orchestra's programmes but welcome collaborators with the five orchestras under discussion, will now be seriously depaited in their professional experts

sional careers, I cannot see that Mr.

Ponsonby's statement about the National Centre for Orchestral Studies and the Royal Northern College of Music will go any way to compensate for what is a mon-

strous insult to the British musical

Reinforcing Dr David Lumsden's and Mr Maxwell Davies's powerful protests, the Marchioness of Aber-

Many of these conductors, execu-

From Mr R. P. Welch Sir. It has rapidly become clear that the musical profession of Great Britain, while possibly not shocked, Sir. The arguments in favour of payment for school transport are, on education grounds, pretty thin, and, on moral grounds, generally is appalled by the BBC's decision to axe five of its orthestras. Sir Anthony Lewis (March 3) has spoken on behalf of our many exceluntenable (how many village schools have been closed with the promise of free mansport being used ent Music Schools, rightly deplorby the Authorities as the main lever in persuading the locality to stop fighting the decision?). On practical ing the predicament which will face young orchestral musicians entering the profession: British and foreign grounds the arguments are plainly conductors have rightly made their protest, and in an eloquent and courageous letter Mr Peter Max-well Davies (March 5) has put the

Has anyone thought who is to collect the money? Is a new bureaueducation office to bill parents? Schools are under enough pressure and cannot take on the collection of more money without extra staffing or less time being spent actually teaching the children. If the bus companies collect the money daily, for which they will charge, what is the driver to do with the child who the bus stop? In any case the delays involved with this form of collection would cause a collapse in the tight schedule of most school bus timerables.

And what is to be done with those

parents, and there will be more than a few, who simply refuse to pay, perhaps because of the broken promise of free transport given when the local school closed. Will another bureaucracy need to be established to prosecute these parents for nonpayment and for keeping their children away from school?

Legal cases will abound as the lawyers debate the validity of the promises and, all in all, it will be a fine old muddle. In the end very little money will be saved. Yours faithfully RICHARD WELCH

Headmaster. St Andrew's CE Primery School, Chinner, Oxford.

Jailed correspondent From the Editor of the Far Eastern Economic Review

Sir, I was grateful for the support The Times gave to Mr Salamat Ali, the For Eastern Economic Review's Pakistan correspondent, sentenced to one year's "rigorous imprisonment" by a military tribunal last November. His "crime" was an acticle shous Pakubissan custing several (understandably unnamed)
Baluchi leaders who were disenchanted with federal rule.

While we still have hopes that the High Court will overturn the sentence or that President Zia-ul-Haq will exercise clemency, the authoriwill exercise clemency, the authorities appear to be attempting to destroy Mr Ali's professional reputation. Officials have ludicrously alleged that he was pro-Moscow, despite his authorship of articles on the Soyler threat to west Asia and on the KGB's subversive activities in Pakistan.

In the January 3 edition of Pakistan News, published by the Embassy of Pakistan in London, the editor, who is the Embassy's minis-ter of information, Mr Jameel-uz-Zaman, claimed in a prominently headlined story that Mr Ali's article been to Baluchistan for months before the article was published and alleged that the quoted views of Baluchi leaders "represented flights

of (Mr Ali's) own imaginations".
We immediately dispatched to Mr ameel-uz-Zamen documentary proof that Mr Ali visited Beluchistan staying in the provincial capital Quetta, for five days last September. I was assured verbally via a third party that Pakiston News would publish these details in full with a omplete retraction.

In the event, a small, back-page paragraph merely noted that I had "intimated editor Pokiston News", that Mr Ali had visited Quetts. DEREK DAVIES. Far Eastern Économic Review.

181 Gloucester Road, Hongkong.

#### Cabins in the sky From Air Vice-Murshal Sir Brian Stanbridge

Sir, In criticizing the British Air ways proposal to abandon first-class cabins on European routes, and replacing them with "club class" seating at a lower price but with less leg room, Mr Powderbam (March 4) suggests that this is "just the latest of many gradual but consis-tent erosions of first-class inter-national facilities".

He ignores the fact that first-class fares have been cross-subsidized by economy-class passengers for many years and that if first-class passengers were asked to pay fares related to the costs of the services they enjoy they would be unwilling to

British Airways freely admits that first-class travel in Europe is losing money and, with less than half the first-class seats provided during last year being filled, this is hardly surprising.

The Air Transport Users' Committee has worked for some years to get the anomaly of cross-subsidization of first-class fares corrected. and welcomes the new British Airways proposal providing it really is a step in the direction of charging each passenger no more the he or she gets. Yours faithfully,

brian stanbridge, Director-General. Air Transport Users' Committee. 129 Kingsway, WC2.

#### This blessed plot From Mr R. J. Marshall

Bickley,

Bromley,

Sir, I was interested to read Mr Clayton's article on page four of The Times yesterday (March 3) about alloaments. I think perhaps the result of the National Food Survey is now well out of date, as in the Bickley-Bromley area of Kent it is almost impossible to obtain an allorment now. There were several available up to last autumn but now cultivation hysteria is with us again. As a tenant holder I am delighted, for fewer weeds will com-Dete with my crops. Yours faithfully, R. J. MARSHALL, 10 The Glade.

deen and Temair writes (March 6):
"Why Scotland?". With passion
let me add; "Why Ulster?". As
one of the many musicians who has
been austically and humanly enso much as a murmur of protest, only to be replaced by artless utilitarian deserts.
We desperately need a rekindling riched by association with the BBC Northern Ireland Orchestra, I can of regional enthusiesm and pride, which makes all the more important which make an the more supportant the encouragement for the arts away from the south-east. That way perhaps the drift to the London region can be reversed and telested find no words strong enough to deplote the exing of this gallant professional organization.

I somehow missed in your columns the anticipated comments of Mr Humphrey Burton, who surely has views on the whole matter.

Further, there is the important point of the British music publish-ing houses who have consistently risked and lost large amounts of money to publish and promote serious orchestral music by living British composers. No other nation can point with comparable pride to such an enterprising organization as the Music Publishers' Association of Great Britain and the axing of the five orchestras will inevitably force new economies in the publication of new music, which in turn will penalize and discourage living British composers and in conse-quence, reduce even further the chances of gramophone records of their music.

The necessity of new financial restrictions may not be in dispute, but the method of implementing these restrictions by attacking the most vulnerable, is either cruel, weak, or simply purblind.
The BBC's Central Music Depart-

ment should be renamed with the words "British" and "Music" deleted, baving become a mockery. Yours faithfully, MALCOLM WILLIAMSON. 510 Ben Jonson House, Barbican, EC2. March 6.

From the Controller of Music. BBC Sir, Your thoughtful leader on BBC priorities (March 7) contains one priorities (March 7) contains one major factual error. The BBC is not proposing "to sweep away all the regional symphony orchestras". Far from it; we propose to retain the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra and the BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra. So, even after the economies, we would still have three symphony orchestras and three others, and would be employing 379 musicians.

This is hardly the stance of an organization which plans to rely for its music on gramophone records.

#### Invasion of Afghanistan From Mrs Elizabeth Young

Sir, Soviet propaganda often seems to give a more accurate indication of actual Soviet intentions and policy than do either official statements or "hints" and "feelers" out of Moscow. This is the case. I believe, at the moment, when there is a plethora of all three.

The statements and "hints" are

The statements and "hints" are well reported in the West. The current propaganda campaign, which may well clarify and under-pin the statements and "hints", is

ss 50. This is a campaign to persuade all who will listen, particularly but not only the Third World, that the "events" in Afghanistan were in the first place instigated by the United States (which has been carrying on an "undeclared war" that a for ten pages); that a there for two years); that a "hulisbaloo" has been blown up, again by the United States, because the Soviet Union prevented it establishing "bases" or "a bridgehead" there; and that the whole affair is

part of President Certer's sudden determination in election year to "launch a counter-offensive against detents and peace" and to "confront" the ever-peace-loving Soviet Union. The United Nations vote was engineered by the United States and so was the vote at the Islamic Conference.

What would most help to confirm this propaganda line and to obfus-cate what virtually the whole world saw as aggression and insult would be for the United States Government now to accept the role temptingly being offered to it in the various official Soviet "hints" and statements, and begin private, bilateral, secret, talks that leave the rest of the insulted and threatened outside the door.

If ever there was an international crisis that needed dealing with internationally and in the full light of day, this is it. Yours, etc. ELIZABETH YOUNG.

100 Bayswater Road, W2.

#### Disabled workers

From Air Vice-Marshal C. G. Maushan

Sir. As an ex-Service association deeply concerned with the disabled, the Royal British Legion was dismayed to learn that 90 per cent of the Government grants available since 1977 to private employers has not been used (your Social Services Correspondent, March 5).

We are one of the largest employers of the war disabled and our experience has shown that they are hard working, reliable and trust-worsity. Many of them received their disability in defence of this country and as a society we have a debt to repay which is to see that the disabled lead a normal life as far as it is humanly possible. To this end they should be given every opportunity to work.

It is an indicament that private employers have not taken the opportunities made to improve the lot of the disabled—but then why should they when there are Government departments which

under successive administrations have still not met the quota scheme?

We remain of the opinion that the quota scheme must be retained but it will obviously need to be strengthened if it is to fulfil its purpose. Yours faithfully.

C. G. MAUGHAN, General Secretary The Royal British Legion, Pall Mall, SW1. March 5.

#### Movable feast?

24 Abbey Road, NWS.

From Dr Philip Evans Sir. Indeed, why can't the French just cat the starlings (March 5)? In Italy I found them tasty, but some people are put off by the black patches on the flesh. Andre Simon gave a letter in *The Times* as reference for their being on sale in a London store at 9d each in 1942. Yours faithfully, PHILIP EVANS.

#### A great tale of heroism

From Lord Hunt

Sir, I was interested to read Bernard Levin's sensitive article in The Times (March 6) about the intention of a Japanese expedition to search for the remains of Mallory and Irvine, based on information helatedly made available by members of a Chinese expedition which was on the northern side of Everest

From reports which I have read, I share the opinion of some earlier British climbers who took part to pre-war expeditions on that side, that the Chinese mountaineers may have found the hody of Mourice Wilson, who made a lone attempt to climb the mountain in 1934, and who was found in his tent in the vicinity of the traditional site of Camp III, at me foot of the North Col, by a British reconnaissance expedition the following year. Wilson's remains, his text and its contents were buried where they were found, quite low on the mountain.

However this may be. I very much agree with Mr Levin that it would be better not to pursue this search. No one would be happier than myself if Mallory and Irvine did. in fact, reach the summit 29 years before our successful expedition in 1953 : I believe this to be the view of Sir Edmund Hillary also.

But the fame of those two men can never stand higher than it does, whether or not they stood on the top of Everest. This is one great tale of heroism in which an element of matery enhances its inspiration for posterity. Yours truly,

JOHN HUNT, President.
Royal Geographical Society.
Kensington Gora, SW7.

#### Inter-Church marriages From the Reverend Prebendary

Six, Grantude is due to Mr Clifford Longley for bringing again to notice (March 3) how argent it is both for sacred and secular relationships, that the rules for inter-Church merriages should be revised.

Perhaps wisely the Roman Cath-olic guidelines allow local episcopal conferences to decide upon their pastoral application. But the con-sequence of this has been a harsh incorpretation in Ireland, a country in which there is manifestly greater need for generous and wise judg-ment than in England.

It is little known that a joint It is little known that a joint international commission of Anglicans and Roman Catholics (ARCIC/M) met in various parts of the world from 1968 to 1975 and, in the latter year, reported to the Archbishop of Canterbury and to Cardinal Willebrands, then the President of the Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity. The report moting Christian Unity. The report was published in 1975 over the names of the commission, the chairmen of which were the former Primate of Ireland, Archbishon George Simms, and the Bishop of South Carolina, Etnest L. Unterkoefler.

Since then it has lain on both RC and Anglican shelves and the have been ignored by both sides... May I suggest that the Irish bishops take heed to it and that both parties look again at its find-ings. It was, to be unduly modest, remarkable that this worldwide and weighty commission should have reached agreement on the theology of marriage and its application to

mixed marriages.
Failure to use its work is little short of tregic. HENRY COOPER. Secretary of the Commission. 106 Woodstock Road, Oxfordshire.

#### Hey-day of blades

From Dr Nonny Tiffany Sir, I have taken it for granted all my life that, when I wanted a pen-knife, all I had to do was turn to the nearest male and my needs would be met, sometimes with thinly veiled concern for the future with alacrity and the most appro-priate blade already in position-Sometimes they would even do the job for me! Yesterday, in a brief survey o

a very heterogeneous group, I could rustle up only two penknives, neither of which was really adequate for my needs. One was such as I have given my young son, and rather blunt; the other was a mon-ster and very blunt.

Has the need to carry a penknife been superseded by our throw-away economy or influenced by a change in fashion to tight trousers, or what? Is its disappearance from the pockets of our male population uniformly distributed? Yours truly.

NONNY TIFFANY, 84 Old High Street, Headington,

#### Equally moving

From Mr John S. Wheeler Sir, I wonder why the British Library is worried about moving books between repositories and reading rooms when the Records Office thinks it is such a good idea for medieval manuscripts. Yours faithfully. JOHN S. WHEELER. 8 Sandmartin Lane, Norton, Stockton-on-Tees,

#### Crafty reply

Sir, I have just been presented with an estimate totalling £78.46 for minor repairs to a Japanese radio. When I pointed out that the radio had only cost £35 when purchased new in the Far East, the manager said it had to be remembered that Japanese labour was unskilled whereas the repairs would be carried out by skilled British craftsmee. Yours faithfully, TOHN M. GOLD,

From Mr John M. Gold

21 Brookside.

Cleveland.

en set free from personal loyal-es and party responsibilities, but mained an influential politician ift a compaign to fight. There is it respect, especially in which acted misled himself and ereby misled his readers. His thesis ran that he, as party airman and leader of the House Commons, as well as others who d not been born to the verty ple, did not know until Thurs v October 17-2 week after the rty's Blackpool conference that ec Donglas-Home trad become \$

in control of most of the guerrilla bases and most of the area in which fighting takes place. a biggish slice of Ovamboland where half Namibia's population (F**POFE** CERTICAL ACTION In January South Africa, after a final offensive, accepted the

plan subject to minor conditions which can still be converted into stumbling-blocks. These mainly concern the effectiveness of guarrulas or rae tiny United Nations force in an area as big as England, and the United Nation's gratuitous confirmation of their earlier ukase that Swapo is the only party entitled to represent and rule the peoples of Namibia. This amounts to taking out a licence to repudiate the election if it does not yield a Swapo victory. The South Africans were indeed marking time to see if the African states, the United Nations and the communist totalitarian personages. However, the lessons of

some means of appeal. Such a

code could not, in a religiously plural society, seek to decide between different versions of

the truth. Its ethical basis would have to be a convention

of human rights, considerably elaborated at those points that

touch on religious freedom.

For example, the concept of "duress" would have to be defined in detail; and the right

to family life would need to be explained in the light of

religious tension in the family.

But it would not be impossible. Those submitting to such a code would not only

have the advantage of tax privileges, but would also regain a respectability in the community that would isolate in a public way those organiza-tions that refused to subscribe.

Such a code of practice exists

suspicion and alertness.

The very existence of positive

ne very existence of positive machinery functioning to moni-tor religious movements and acting as publicly as possible would raise the general level of awareness on the whole sub-ject of religiou, a bonus the "legitimate" religious move-ments in society might hope to benefit from.



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ionitor or correct.

In every other area, from ad-

machinery. In religion only is the field competely open.

In traditional constitutional

theory it is the role of the Church of Engand to take care

of souls in trouble by providing a sort of spiritual welfare state free and available to all in

But the changed role of the established church has put it

out of reach of such a function. Instead of presiding over and

regulating within its compre-hensive embrace the changing fads and fashions of the nation,

it has become one more comperitor in the market place, al-beit an honourable one.

the means por the skill, and

nor has Parliament, to inter-

vene in this delicate area.
Psychiatrists are on the thinnest ice when faced with
religious disturbance.

The British press and broad-casting, somewhat lacking in

theological or spiritual exper-tiss, provides the only kind of

an important recommendation in an independent examination of the system by which milk profits are calculated. The report was published just over a week ago by Binder Hamlyn, a London firm of chartered accountants.

Only 26 copies were distributed,

only so ropies were distributed, and those were sent to what the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food described as "interested parties". Reporters were told that no copies would be issued to the press because the operation would be too expensive. The ministry said later that no more than the opinion! A copies would be

the original 26 copies would be issued, even to anyone who offered to meet the cost of pro-

The ministry did. however, issue

a summary of the recommenda-tions in the report, which was commissioned by ministers last year. One of the most important

recommendations was omitted from the summary, which listed 11 proposals of which some were of lesser importance. The ministry

invited reporters to make appoint-ments to examine the single copy held in the press office of the ministry in London.

The summary did not mention that the report said "the target rate of profit should be based on defined and published criteria".

The target rate is at the heart of the argument about milk pro-fits. It is a method of calculating

profits which has operated since 1949 when the system began with

ducine more.

The Government has neither

March 8: The Prince of Wales was represented by Professor Glyn Daniel at the Memorial Service for Professor Charles McEurney which was held in King's College Chapel, Cambridge, today.

Prince Edward is 16 today.

#### Forthcoming marriage

Viscount Tamworth and Miss S. M. Sheepshanks The engagement is announced between Robert, eldest son of the Earl and Countess Ferrers, of Hedenham Hall, Norfolk, and Susannah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C. E. W. Sheepshanks, of Arthington Hall, Yorkshire.

#### Marriage

Mr H. Howers and Miss D. M. Dunning The marriage took place yea-rerday, at St Peter's Church, Vere Street, London, W1, between Mr Brian Bowers and Miss Dannette Marie Dunning.

#### Christening

The infant son of Mr and Mrs William T. Mullins was christened Richard David at Brompton Oratory on Priday, March 7. The godparents are Mr Jose do Venecia, Jr. Mr Clive P. Farrell and Mme R. Sarkis. A reception was held afterwards in the House of Commons.

#### Birthdays today

Sir Robert Bellinger, 70; Air Chief Marshal Sir Brian Burnert, 67; Brigadier W. G. Carr. 79; Sir Samuel Goldman, 68; Sir Charles Groves, 68; Sir Charles Hardic, 70; Dr Margaret Hogarth, 95; Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Robson, 78; Sir Lionel Thompson, 87; Daine Eva Turner, 88; Lord Wakefield of Kendal, 82.

#### Today's engagements The Queen and the Duke of Edin-

bugh attend Commonwealth
Day observance, Westminster
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Day reception, Mariborough
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Commonwealth Day celebrations,
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Commonwealth Institute, Ken-sington High Street. Talks and Lectures: Post Impresdonist Art; Eve King, National Gallery, 1; Black women's org-anization, Brixton Group, North London Polytechnic, Holloway, 6.30; Anthony Van Dyck's Imitan sketchbook, Dr Christopher Brown, Warburg Institute, Woburn Square, 5: Constable and Turner, Sarah Redi, Tate Gallery, 1. Sorheby's discovery event, Long-

someny's discovery event, Long-leat House, Wilishire. Walk: Haunted ghost trail in the dark, meet Savoy Hotel, London, 7.30.

#### Service dinner Southampton Royal Naval Officers'

The annual dinner of the Southampton Royal Naval Officers' Ansociation was held on Friday night in HMS Wessex. Rear-Admiral P. W. Greening, Naval Secretary, was the guest of bonour and Lieutenant Commander P. C. Tambling, RNR, chairman, presi-

#### Latest wills

Latest estates include (net, before tex paid; tex not disclosed): Perguson, Mr William John of Ambleside, Surgeon . £106.430 Fisher, Jennie of Skeibrooke, near Doncaster . £253,893 lagram, Mrs Florence Maud. of Eenenden . £160.437 Orpin, Mrs Mary Eilen, Woodchurch, Kent . £186.807 Stables, Mr Gordon. of Windermera . £267,015

Premium bond winners Winning numbers in the weekly draw for £100,000, £50,000 and £25,000 Premium Savings Bond prizes abnounced on Saturday, are: £100,000, 11LZ 778053 (Location) are: E100,600, 1112 //0005 (10005); f50,000, 000, 1112 (Nent); f50,000, 1112 (Nent); f525,000, 5AF 371047 (Hillingdon).

#### Memorial services

Professor C. B. M. McBurney Professor C. B. M. McBurney
The Queen of Denmark was represented by Mr H. Agerbak, Minister at the Danish Embassy, and
the Prince of Wales by Professor
Giya Daniel at a memorial service for Professor C. B. M.
McBurney held in the Chapel of
King's College, Cambridge, on
Saturday, The Rev W. Horbury
officiated and the lessons were
read by the Master of Corpus
Christi College and Mr S. M.
McBurney (sou), Among those McBurney (son). Among present were:

Mrs. McBurney (Widow), Mr C. O. McBurney (son), Mlss. M. McBurney (danshier), Mr and Mrs. R. Farmey (brother-th-law and sister), Mr and Mrs. T. Ware, Mr and Mrs. E. Bickerstein, Mrs. K. Boveridec, Mr and Mrs. K. Boveridec, Mr and Mrs. T. Agliomby, Mr and Mrs. J. Stanford, Miss. J. Russell, Mr and Mrs. Al. Rundall Fundall
The Protest of King's College, the
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Parliamentary diary

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Religious Affairs Correspondent
The continuing high level of and capable of control haphazardly applied and capable of control haphazardly applied activity of proselytizing cults and sects, and the high level of injustice if it makes a mistake. The evidence of harmful actcomplaint and alarm at evidence of harm as a result, are apparently outside the scope of any public individual or body trity includes the breakdown of family life and the destruction of marriages, the start of mental sickness, and in some cases, suicide No proprietary drug would vertising to fringe medicine, those who seek to guilt the gullible come under some sort of scrutioy or control, backed by law or by binding self-regulation

Protecting souls in trouble from the fanatics

be allowed to remain on the market if it caused such social havoc, yet any suggestion of enforced regulation of cults would cause a civil rights outcry as an attack on fundamental freedoms. There seems to be no half way between the close licensing of religion as applied in the Soviet Union and a complete

free-for-all, with its consequent Nevertheless, those whose husiness it is, or ought to be, to protect the flock from wolves have scarcely used the limited resources available to

The religious education curri-

culum in schools, for instance,

is under the complete control of the main religious traditions in Britain; but that powerful lever has not been used to counteract cult activity.

Faced with extreme religious fanaticism, many churchmen are simultaneously both indignant and insecure, and may The Commissioners for In-land Revenue and the Charity Commissioners can sometimes be involved, with statutory powers, when a cult seeks the tax privileges that the law

Report on milk profits is held back

Agriculture

Hugh Clayton

an agreement of dairy men and the Government.

"There was not at that time any theoretical basis to support the figures chosen", Binder Hamlyn said. "It was simply a figure agreed by the two sides for inclusion in the margin." The rate is the amount of profit which the Government allows dairies to make on every pint of milk they sell.

Nobody knows how it is calcu-

Nobody knows how it is calculated by dairies and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Farmers have not been pre-

Food. Farmers have not been pre-sent at the negotiations. Farmers feel that they have been denied their fair share of increases in the price of milk. Yet they cannot challenge the shares allocated by ministers, since they do not know how the dairies' portion is cal-

Binder Hamlyn said the Govern-ment did not have any comprehen-sive list of considerations which

have been consistently taken into

account when the rate had beed reviewed. The firm considered that the way in which the target rate of profit was determined "Is far from being astisfactory". That

grants to bona fide religious to enforce it, together with movements. some means of appeal. Such a Those who license premises for the conduct of marriages according to religious rites do also from time to time act as discriminators between one

sort of religious/spiritual belief system and another. But in all those cases the criteria to be applied say nothing about healthiness versus unhealthiness. The law presupposes that religion, in any form whatever must be a good thing and should therefore enjoy legal advantages.

In a society of such illinformed and unsure agnosticism as Britain, the way is clear for cults to tomp at will.

There is plainly no belief so wild that apparently sane and sensible people cannot be per-suaded to swallow it, especially if they are exposed to it at one

of those inevitable stages of life when that which was raken for granted begins to feel a little uncertain. In addition to the mobiliza-tion of religious education facilities against cults, there are other possible steps that church and state could take between

them.

The tax privileges of religious organizations could be used positively as both carrot and stick to patrol these fringes; though that would require a very different role by the Charity Commissioners, impossible without a charge in the sible without a change in the

It would probably require a code of practice and the means

point was also omitted from the summary which the ministry made available for general distribution.

The Consumers' Association said recently that the method of calculating the target rate was a matter of public interest and should be made public. Binder Hamlyn explained that: " much time and effort is devoted by the Government and by the trade to

Government and by the trade to schieving precision in the meas-urement of costs. Yet there is to comparable attempt to ensure that the target rate of profit is fived on a level that is reason-

"The present indefinite state is uncer-

bound to contribute to uncer-minty in the dairy trade. It also makes the system vulnerable to criticism from those outside the trade, since it cannot be demon-strated that the present target rate of profit is not excessive."

The National Farmers' Union said in its annual report, published last month, that it had been worried for many years about the working of the milk

It is remarkable, in view of widespread concern about the means of calculating the profit on milk, that the ministry failed to draw attention to one of the most important Binder Hamlyn proposals, while publicizing many

others.

The case provides an evcellent opportunity for action by the Commons Select Committee on Agriculture, which has chosen milk as the subject of its first investigation.

pricing arrangements.

#### **OBITUARY**

#### RT REV MICHAEL PARKER Former Bishop of Bradford

1971.

The Right Rev Michael served as Suffragan Bishop until Parker, who was Bishop of he was translated to Bradford Bradford, from 1961 to 1971 in 1961, where he remained as died on March 5 at the age of Bishop until his retirement in died on March 5 at the age of 79. Clement George St Michael Parker was born on September 29, 1900. Though born and brought up in Birmingham, where his father, the Rev W. H. Parker, was Vicar of St Peter, for many years, Parker inherited an Irish charm, and he himself was to spend nearly forty years of his ministry in the Birmingham Diocese, as Curate, Vicar, Archdeacon and as Suffragan Bishop of Aston. Bishop of Aston.

He was ordained deacon in Birmingham in 1923. The followbrimingham in 1923. The obtained priest by the newly-appointed Bishop of Birmingham, Dr Ernest W. Barnes, a controversial figure of his day, who immediately Such a code of practice exists implicitly in a vague way in the mind of any journalist investigating a cult, but it is a crude and largely ineffective method of combating a potentially serious social evil.

Those cults that refused to cooperate would still be free to carry on their business, but against a background of public suspiction and alertness. took strong measures against the so-called "rebel" churches in his Diocese, churches where the Sacrament was reserved and where extra-liturgical services were held. These Bishop Barnes termed " Ilegal practices."

One of these "rebel" churches was St Jude's Birmingham, and after his ordination Parker served there as assistant curate to his brother-in-law, the Rever-end E. D. Tyndall. For eleven years Bishop Barnes refused to license Michael Parker as assistant tant curate at St Jude's because of these "illegal practices" carried on in the church. In 1928 the Bishop offered him preferment, but Parker refused the offer as he felt he could not leave his Vicar to wrestle-singlehanded with the whole of the parish. Dr Barnes did however license him in 1937 for the last two years of his curacy at St Jude's.

When he left St Jude's in 1939 When he left St Jude's in 1939 he became Vicar of All Saints, Kings Heath, where he stayed until 1957. In 1944 Bishop Barnes had appointed him an Honorary Canon of Birmingham Cathedral. From 1943-46 he served as Rurel Dean of Kings Norton, and from 1946-54 as Archdeacon of Aston, He was consecrated Suffragan Bishop of Aston in Westminster Abbey on Aston in Westminster Abbey on St Luke's Day 1954, and he

Mr William Hogg McNeill, CBE, who died at Salisbury on February 18 at the age of 69, joined Alfred Holt & Co. Liverpool, in 1928 and their Far Eastern staff in 1932. He was a prisoner of war in Japanese hands on the Siam Railway dur-ing the last war. He was founder chairman of the Singapore Shipowners' Association 1954-55 and Singapore Maritime Employers' Federation 1935-59. in 1961 he became chairman of Mansfield and Co. and Straits in the Far East. After his retirement he took

Steamship Co., Singapore. 1964 he became chairman Gien Line, London, and director of Ocean Steamship Co.

Bishop Parker had many special interests in the work of the Church, but what really interested him in any committee on which he served was the ultimate effect on individuals. He was concerned that his clergy should have adequate and comfortable vicarages where the harmone of life was not the harmony of life was not disturbed by leaking roofs or tinadequate or expensive heating. He made a great contribu-tion to Church extension work, first in the Diocese of Birming. ham and later in his own Diocese of Bradford. In many ways he was impatient with the fetters of organizations and committees, but his impatience was born of his loving concern for people. He saw beyond the confines of maps and boundaries, and his maps. and his great concern was that in every district there should be a house of God, as worthy and beautiful as the Diocese could afford, but chiefly where the grace of God could be mediated to His children by word and Sacrament.

Sacrament. However varied his tasks, they could be seen in the light of two great motives—to pro-mote the glory of God and to serve the interests of the individual, so that each person might find his rightful place as a member of the family of God. An awareness of his personal interest and care was the experience of rhousands.

He appreciated the warm-beartedness of Midlanders and the Northerners and he understood and sympathized with the points of view and interests of points of view and interests of ordinary men, women and children. He delighted in the superb beauty of the fells in his Diocese of Bradford and he found great spiritual refresh-ment through its countryside. In 1971 he retired to Shipstonon-Stour on the edge of the Corswolds, but this retirement saw him continuing in pastora work as Assistant Bishop of Coventry and Worcester, He never married.

#### MR W. H. McNEILL

Freight Conference in 1969. From 1953 until 1961 he was chairman of the Committee of the Missions to Seamen in Singapore. He became a member of the Council of the Missions to Seamen in London in 1962 until 1970. He was also a member of the General Council of the King George's Fund for Sailors, retiring in 1970. He was appointed C.B.E. in 1963 for his services to shipping

an active part in the work of several local charities in Wiltshire. In 1971 he became Liverpool, in 1966. He was Ronorary Treasurer to the chairman of the Far Eastern Friends of Salisbury Cathedral, Ronorary Treasurer to the **ANDERSCH** Leading German author

**ALFRED** 

C.R. writes: Alfred Andersch, the emine German writer, died on Feb. ary 21. shortly after his six sixth birthday. He was be and grew up in Munich. I left-wing political activities to to brief intermment in Dack as early as 1933, and ensui surveillance by the sec police. The war took him. Italy, where he deserted, an which he remembered as turning-point of his life. Af captivity as a prisoner-of-war the United States, subsequen recalled with paradoxical r recalled with paradoxical relagia, he returned to Germato help found the Gruppe which also came to inche Heinrich Böll and Gün Grass, and which decisive advanced the rehabilitation German literature in the volume of the companion of the compani Federal Republic. In 1958, moved to Switzerland why with his wife, the distinguish artist Gisela Andersch, resided in the Alpine will of Berzona, eventually acquired Swiss nationality. He remains a critical observer of the ( man scene, the past history.

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Affred Andersch's achiment lay mainly in the field
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The horizons of Al Andersch were those of a mopolitan: his intellect adventurousness matched physical courage. In his to the English-speaking work countries with necessary work. scrutinized with particul affectionate attention. In ret those in this country privile to have known this cultu humorous and warm-hea man are left saddened by death and enriched by his

Mr Rowland William ] Scott-Batey, JP, Chairman Authority, died suddenly-March 1, aged 66. Hc Chairman of the Newcastle Labour Party for 18 years i Regional Council of the Lal Party from 1972 to 1976.

Mr John Jacob Niles, American folk singer and s writer, died at his home Kontucky, on March 1. He

#### Science report

#### Conservation: Vanishing rain forests

and South America, are destroying an estimated 110,000 square kilometres each year, and they are not being replenished adequately. The consequences of such losses have been worrying environmentalists and economists for some than a source of wood and other time, and now tropical rain products. In many parts of the forests have been designated one world they constitute a rich of the main priorities for inter-national action in the World Conservation Strategy, launched last

servation Strategy, launched last not be valuable now but may one week.

The strategy, prepared by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature, was commissioned by the United Nations Environment Fund, which to gether with the World Wildlife Fund, 28 pronge, they protect areas near by finding and siltation. Explication without sufficient replanting is upsetting all these many other groups and individuals but the been melded into a decument which defines the world's main conservation needs and calls first for the protection of areas of unusual genetic diversity.

products. In many parts of the world they constitute a rich reservoir of genedic diversity, containing many species that may not be valuable now but may one

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By the staff of Nature

If tropical rain forests conduce to disappear at the present rate, they may all have gone within 35 years. Felling and burning, especially in parts of Africa, Asia projects, that means taking full and felling and planting projects, that means taking full and felling and planting proaccount of long-term ramifications.

but where resources are already over exploited, measures are recommended to hait the decline.

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#### robe sets \$7,500 auction record By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent A Chinese embroidered robe estab

Imperial dragon

A Chinese embroidered robe established a new auction price record when it was sold for \$7,500 (estimate \$4.000-\$6.000), or \$3,363, at a Sotheby Parke Bernet auction in New York on Sainrday.

It is a rare yellow imperial dragon robe, and dates from the reign of Daoguang (1822-51); it is finely woven with the 12 symbols of the emperor and mine metallic gold dragons, five of them clutching "fiaming pearls", on a ground pattern of clouds.

The sale was devoted to Chinese areas considered backwaters compared with teramics and sculpture by serious collectors of oriental art. But the sale was very well attended and made more than the auctioneers' high estimate at £213,070, with 5 per cent unsold. Robes and textiles made exceptionally high prices, according to Sotheby's, but the biggest surprise came in the paintings section.

A landscape catalogued as in the style of Wang Yuangi, a banging come in the paintings rection.

A landscape catalogued as in the style of Wang Yuanqi, a hanging paper scroll with the painting in ink, dated to the nineteenth century and sold in one lot with another landscape, made \$22,000 (£10,314), compared with an estimate of only \$400-\$500.

Both the purchaser, a New York dealer, and the underbidder had decided that the first landscape was a genuine work by the leading seventeenth-century artist. Wang Yuanqi, rather than a later imitation of his style.

Appointments in the

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CAPTAIN: D. M. Eckersley-Maslin.
to be promoted rear-admiral, July 7
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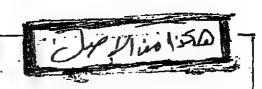
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#### IN BRIEF **Builders** urge drastic action by

Chancellor Building industry leaders have bridge successful states have breed the Chancellor of the Exchequer to boost the private homes sector by doubling the threshold for tax relief on mortgage loans in his Budget later this mouth.

They want Sir Geoffrey Howe to double the tax relief threshold to 150,000, raise the threshold of stamp duty on home purchases from 115,000 to 130,000, and cut the minimum lending rate "as soon as this a consistent with general eco-

consistent with general ecocomic strategy "

Mr Ronald King, president of
the House-Builders' Federation,
said these urgent measures had
to be taken if private housebuilding output was to expand
and begin to fill the gaps that
vill be caused by the recent cuts
in public sectors building.
According to industry esti-

According to industry esti-mates, cutbacks announced by Vir Michael Beseltine, the Sac-retary of State for the Environ-nent, will remove 5500m of work from the public homes

#### Romanian deal

Lord Carrington, the Foreign ecretary, has been urged by ome Conservative MPs to treat mpathetically any request rom President Cenusescu of lomania to buy North Sea oil ord Carrington leaves for lomania on Wednesday, Major pic for discussion will be-Britain's plans for a neutral and ion-aligned afghanistan.

# 110m Douglas orders

Birmingham has been swarded £7.4m contract by Telford Development Corporation to oad serving the new town. The company also announced other contracts worth £2.9m

#### 30 pc stake in Target

An 80 per cent interest in larget Computer Services, Lon-lon, has been acquired by demory Iteland, a Dublin comivenue Investments and Water-ard Glass bave substantial

#### Japanese budget Japan's House of Representa-

ives has passed a 42,588 tribion on (£8,283,272,000m) National Judget Bill for fiscal 1980. which begins on April 1. The hudget was up 10.3 per cent rom the original budget in iscal 1979, the smallest increase a 21 years, reflecting concerniver the government's heavy incordence up hand issues. iependence on bond issues.

#### Hauliers' anger

affairs that is occupying Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry is the location of Because of delays at the Royal saforth container terminal at the semiconductor company's first United Kingdom factory. An application for an Industrial iverpool docks, road hanlage itms are threatening to aban-ion the port. The Mersey Docks and Harbour Co admits delays wer the winter months, due to Development Certificate which up a factory in Bristol, site of its existing technology centre, was received on February 5, since when Impos has been i shortage of straddle carriers. yow nine more have been mught for £2.25m and a 250,000 road resurfacing pro-tramme startes: waiting for a reply.

Three former ministers at the Department of Industry under

# Peking director 4

For the first time an official enrecentative of the Peking tovernment has joined the shanghzi Banking Corporation, te is Mr Li Ka-Shing a self-n de multimilionaire Hong-tong capitalist who, with two ther Hongkong businessmen ppc nted a member of the nvestment - Corporation - in eking last year.

Claims working party A joint working party is to be set up by the Department of Transport and the Federa. ion of Civil Engineering Conractors to examine the way in which claims for extra paynears on Government contracts ere submitted. This follows sugestions by contractors that laims amounting to £200m, one of them dating back eight ears, are outstanding.

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# R-R will report £100m loss due to fall in dollar exchange rates

Huge losses of about £100m resulting from unfavourable with United States companies, will be revealed by Rolls-Royce within the next few

weeks.

It will be the dominant feature of the state-owned company's report and accounts for last year, and is bound to create a parliamentary storm and reopen the controversy over the aero-engine company's relationship with the National Enterprise Board which was severed last autumn by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry.

Such is the scale of the exchange rate losses last year

exchange rate losses last year that Sir Frank McFadzean, the new chairman, and his board colleagues ere now engaged in a review of the way in which R-R covers its foreign exchange

Modification of previous practices may well form a key feature of the company's 10 year corporate plan which is now being compiled and which will be submitted to Sir Keith Joseph this summer.

It was the substantial loss on dollar denominated contracts secured by Sir Kenneth Keith (now Lord Keith) former chair-man of R.R. amid a blaze of publicity best year and the year before which was at the heart of the row between Lord Kerth and the previous NEB board and Sir Leslie Murphy, its former chairman.

Orders with Boeing and Lock-beed for the RB 211 535 and 211-524 angines were raken when the exchange rate was \$1.80, and assumed a drop to \$1.65 in 1979. But with the surge in the value of the pound against the dollar substantial losses are now being made. The previous NEB board last year submitted a detailed

last year submitted a detailed report on the R-R finances to Sir Keith Joseph. Sir Leslie Murphy, concerned at the scale

The Department of Industry

yesterday denied a report that the Government had decided to

approve a second tranche of \$25m funding for the National Enterprise Board's Inmos semi-

conductor subsidiary.

A Dol spokesman said that
no decision had yet been taken

on the Inmos finance. But " we

are getting close to a decision and hope to make an announce-

ment soon.

An adjourned debate on limos is scheduled to be held

in the House of Commons on

Thursday night, 10 which Mr Michael Mershall Parliamentary

Under-Secretary of State, will reply on behalf of the Depart-ment of Industry, The Govern-

ment's decision may already be known by then; it is under-stood that ministers are to dis-cuss the matter further on Tues-

The second aspect of Inmos

the Labour Government wrote to The Times on February 29 to say that Inmos had undertaken

to locate its production units in assisted areas. Mr Ian Barron, executive director of Inmos, has

denied this.

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Last week Sir Keith saw two

delegations of Members of Parliament, respectively in

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Decision

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isses of about £100m of the problem and the drain from unfavourable which Rolls would make rates on contracts on the NEB, wanted the conpublicly of the need for tighter financial discipline at Rolls. The board regarded margins on the contracts as in-sufficient, but was unable to obtain details of the precise

Lord Keith canvassed successfully for responsibility for the montioring of R-R to be transferred from the NEB to the Department of Industry. This was agreed to by Sir Keith Joseph and his decision promp-red the resignation of the full ted the resignation of the full board of the NEB.

Stewardship of the company affairs is now effectively in the hands of the Department of Industry, although the NEB continues to hold vestigial responsibilities until legislation is amended with enactment of the Government's Industry Bill.

Rolls-Royce said yesterday: "The board has not yet met to discuss and finalize all the factors which will be involved in our balance sheet for 1979. The exchange rate factor is only one of them." The board is, however, having talks with its auditors and a board meeting is scheduled at the end of this

Rolls made a profit of more than £16m in 1978 but suffered a loss in the first half of last year. It was later affected by the national engineering strike hich led the company to close

for three weeks.
Last night a spokesman for the NEB said: "I have no idea what the R-R results will be, but it is well known that the previous board expressed some reservations about the financial discipline at Rolls-Royce. Apart from certain residual responsi-bilities, overall responsibility has been transferred to the Industry Department. We have an exciting job to tackle on many other fronts."

## Car imports jump to 58 pc

By Peter Waymark New car sales in the United their highest February level since before the 1973 oil crisis. The total market, at 145,889, was 9.37 per cent higher than in February last year.

But the figures contain no cheer for British manufacturers, for the importers' share of 57.75 per cent was more than five per cent up on February last year and so far in 1980 foreign cars have taken more than 58 per cent of the market.

BL, during the second month of its "Buy British" campaign, recovered a little from the dismal Jamary figure of 15 per cent to reach 16.75 per cent. The company is hoping to achieve 20 per cent penetration this mouth and early returns suggest that it is on target.

Ford retained market leadership, though its share fell from 37.3 per cent in January to 32.21 cent. It also remained by ar the biggest importer, more ing from West Germany, Spain, Belgium and the Irish Republic. Renault took 6.71 per cent of the market and the biggest

Japanese importer, Datsun, fell back to 4.22 per cent. The best selling model was again the Ford Cortina followed by two other Ferds, the Escort and the Fiesta. The BL Mini came fourth and two newcomers to the "top ten" were the Renault 18 and the Talbot

# Lloyd's faces \$40m leasing claim in US

Next Thursday at the small Federal district court in Baltimore, Maryland, Lloyd's of London will find itself in Lloyd's of London will find itself in the dock, being sued by Federal Leasing, a Washington based computer leasing company. Judge Harvey will hear "oral pleadings on a preliminary injunction", and this will be the first courtroom step in the longest ever legal action against Lloyd's. The stakes are high; not so much in this case, where the damages sought amount to \$40m, but because if this action succeeds it will open the door to the rest of the company's claims against Lloyd's, totalling \$600m.

The origins of the case go back to 1974, when Lloyd's wrote a policy which

1974, when Lloyd's wrote a policy which

insured a leasing company against the risk that customers hiring a machine would break the contract

The incentive for companies to break such a contract comes with technological progress New machines come on the market three or four years into a seven year lease which will do job far more efficiently and

After a profitable three years the leasing industry collapsed in 1978-79, when IBM announced a new generation of machines which made previous computers look, obsolete and costly. Hundreds of customers terminated their leases. Federal Leasing went to Lloyd's and asked for its money under the policy. But so far Lloyd's has refused to meet the claims, hence the

legal battle. Federal Leasing's case will stand or

fall largely on the status given to a secret agreement which it made with the Lloyd's syndicates two years ago when Lloyd's agreed to pay up,

according to Mr William Evans, aged 37, a co-founder of Federal Leasing. He claims that the March 13, 1978 egreement said that Lloyd's would pay un cancellation of a leasing contract, or if the financing bank would like it to pay. Alternatively it would guarantee to continue the insurance cover into the future, if the banks agreed to refinance the computers so they could

be leased to new customers.

This agreement was endorsed by all the underwriters involved. Mr Evans said. In signing they were acting on the advice of Lloyd's north American counsel, the law firm of Le Boeuf, Lamb, Leiby and Macrae of New York, which said in an attached opinion that if the underwriters did not sign Federal Leasing would sue. And if it sued it would probably win.

As a result of the March 13 agreement, Wells Fargo, one of the main

banks involved, agreed to refinance. 15 of the collapsed leasing deals, and asked Lloyd's to endorse the insurance

policies According to Mr Evans it was six, months before Lloyd's did so, by which time Wells Fargo and the other banks involved had become restive. Money

still outstanding to the banks is the ore of the court action.

Mr Evens said that the delays and uncertainty in the settlement of claims had destroyed his company "If Lloyd"s had agreed to pay up promptly every, bank would have refinanced and all have been received. marketed. Lloyd's night then not have had to pay out", he said.

He sees Lloyd's refusal to settle quickly as a ploy. "If they drag it out long enough they think we will got under and not have able to continue

under, and not be able to continue, the case," he said.

## **President Carter weighs options** for budget austerity measures

From Frank Vogi

Washington, March 9 President Carter held extensive meetings with his advisers this weekend to develop his anti-inflation plan. The centrepiece of the plan will be public spending curs for the next fiscal year, starting on October 1.
But budger-cutting is said by

senior administrations officials to be just one part of the overall plan. The President is meeting frequently with Mr Paul Volcker, the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, and some credit controls are possome credit controls are pos-sible. New policies on the energy front are also being con-

President Carter told reputers at the White House that he had not yet set a time for announcing new actions. He added that no definite budget decision had been taken. The President almost continuous meetings with groups of advisers and members of Congress on Satur-day. It is believed the adminis-tration is still striving to put together its programme March 17 at the latest. The White House's economic

However, the final go ahead

will have to be given by the Prime Minister, possibly after discussion with other senior

ministers outside the Treasury,

and there is still substantial dis-

and the Bank of England about whether such a plan should be

published and if so how it

should be drawn up. Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancel-

lor, and Mr Nigel Lawson, the Financial Secretary to the Treasury, arenow in favour of

publishing. Mr John Biffen, Chief Secretary to the Treasury,

lieved to be much less enthu-siastic. There appears to be

more general support for the plan within the Treasury than in the Bank of England.

Mr Terry Burns, the Government's new Chief Economic Adviser, as strongly in favour

of the plan, in contrast to his

It now seems that many of

those in favour of a plan want to publish a full one which will include not only money targets

but medium term forecasts for output, prices and other econd-

There is also strong pressure

for a plan which expresses the

money supply growth target in the form of a single figure rather than a range. Mr Nigel Lawson is thought to be in

Others believe that the Gov-

ernment should give itself more flexibility, and should avoid publishing numbers which may

favour of this.

Government closer to

publishing money plan

The Government has recently sible because of unforeseen events. If the plan contains publish with the budget a medium-term financial plan which would set out targets for the money supply for several years ahead.

sible because of unforeseen events. If the plan contains very tight, single figure targets then, it is argued, it could easily be overshot for a month or two and this could upset financial markets, dry up gift sales, and frustrate the aims

revising their forecasts. They no longer believe that it will be possible to bring inflation below double digits this year, and they are less certain than was the case just a few weeks ago of a recession developing. The President has left no doubt that he is willing to risk higher unemployment in order to dampen inflationary pressures.

Leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate economic discussions. It is clear that the President wants to win as much support as possible from the Congress for budget austerity measures before announcing the details of his programme. He hopes, as a result, that the need for swift action to reduce spending will makes his announcements.

It seems clear that the White House is trying to cut spending for the next fiscal year by be-tween \$12,000m and \$15,000m. At the same time, the administration hopes to raise between \$4,000m and \$5,000m in revenue.

One cost-reducing measure

quickly appear to be impos-sible because of unforeseen events. If the plan contains very tight, single figure targets

sales, and frustrate the aim:

of the plan to control money

ernment's commitment to a long term reduction in money

supply growth could encourage

the markets to overlook short term variations.

moment is that money supply

growth is now running above the

present 7-11 per cent target, at 124 per cent annual rate. The

true growth rate is even higher as the corset controls on bank

lending have distorted the fig-ures by an estimated 2 to 3

to lifting the corset, although nervousness about what this will do to the figures is holding up the decision to take it

If the corset is removed then the Government has to decide whether to raise its published

money supply targets by 2 or 3 per cent to take account of

The purpose of a medium

term financial plan is to com-

mit the Government to a policy of steadily decelerating money growth, as it is thought that this will reduce the rate

of inflation both directly and indirectly through lowering in-

It is, however, difficult to produce a plan which is both feasible and implies much suc-

cess in bringing down inflation.

Some opponents of the plan think that the Government will

The Government is committed

per cent.

A particular problem at the

On the other hand the Gov-

the cost of living increases in-volved in the social security system and in assorted welfare programmes. A freeze on gov-crument hiring is likely, as are cuts in administrative expenses. Reductions in the Federal government's payments to states and municipalities seem certain. However, it does not seem likely that there will be any reduction in defence outlay.

The President : indicated at the weekend that he may set specific state-by-state energy conservation targets. He may also try to raise revenue and cut energy demands at the same time by imposing import fees on oil.

Administration officials say that the only credit controls that have been ruled out are ones that would directly affect the housing and car industries. Consideration is being given to ways in which the use of credit cards can be reduced. There is also a possibility of the Federal Reserve announcing tighter credit policies at the same time as the administra-

Forecast of

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By Our Economic Staff

British industry is likely to be the big casualty of the coming recession, which will

probably be worse than any since 1945, according to Cam-

bridge Econometrics forecasting

Their forecasts, based on a very detailed model of British industry, show that the engineering industry, for example, could suffer a drop in output of 20 per cent over the next three years. Economic output of the country of the next three years.

put is expected to fall by 31 per cent this year, close to the Treasury's own initial and very

gloomy forecasts. Government policy, combined with the bleak world outlook, means that industry will be particularly hard hit in the coming years.

Cambridge econometrics ex-

pects industrial investment in plant to fall by 32 per cent

between 1979 and 1932, and investment in all buildings to

They foresee a further decline of 15 per cent in the competitiveness of British exports over the next two years from a level which is already startlingly low the historical examined.

by historical standards. How-

ever, North Sea oil is forecast

to ease the strain on govern-ment financies over the next few years leading to interest rates of 9 per cent in 1983 and

ncome tax at 25 per cent

that British industry is now less

competitive than at any time in the last decade.

drop by 8 per cent.

standard rate.

## **Industry concern at** delay over orders for nuclear plants

Plant manufacturers for the nuclear industry are extremely concerned at a six-month delay on ordering the hardware com-ponents for the advanced gas-cooled reactor power stations planned for Reysham and Torness. As a result, the central

policy review staff has been asked by Mrs Thatcher, to investigate the effects the lack

of work, might have.

Clarke Chapman, the boiler-making arm of Northern Engineering Industries, is particularly sbort of work, having hoped for an order for an olifired power station at Inswork Point to serve the south-west which was cancelled by Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy in the previous Government.

Government plans to order around 10 nuclear power stations over the next 10 years are now severely at risk. A use has led the Central Electri-city Generating Board into a loss, and has brought threats of price rises above those already announced for later

With the electricity industry's cash limits at their current level, the building programme looks too large. The case for going ahead on the grounds that nuclear power provides a saving on fuel cost against oil and older coal-fired stations is weakened by an 8 per cent drop in energy demand pro-jections for 1985.

The nuclear stations being ordered now will not come on stream until the late 1980s and early 1990s. But demand now looks like starting from a lower base, having dropped by 8 cent in the projections for 1985.
Delays on the British-designed
AGR at Heysham run by the
CEGB and the South of Scotland Electricity Board's planned AGR at Torness are caused by prob-lems in the design work which have put back the time when a case for the safety of the reactors can be put before the nuclear installations inspec-

While the cash-short CEGB is relieved at being able to put made.



Mr Glyn England: being asked

orders from March and April when they were originally planned, the delay may be used as ammunition against the American designed Pressurized Water Reactor system. Arguments over

choice continue to rage. The choice continue to rage. The Parllamentary Select Committee on energy has heard evidence from Sir Alan Conterel, a former chief scientist, against the PWR and from Dr Walter Marshall, the deputy director of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority, himself another former chief scientist, in favour of it.

Mr Glyn England, the CEGEchairman, is to be asked to appear again before the Select. Committee to explain his board's revised estimates for electricity demand.

The Government was planning. to place an order in 1982 to establish the option of building a string of PWRs but it looks increasingly likely that it willbe impossible to place an order, before 1963. The signing of a licence agreement with American corporation, Westing-house, has still not been made; and the all-important post of chairman of the National Nuclear Corporation, the contractor for nuclear sites in the United Kingdom, has still to box

# Opec funds problem may dominate talks

From Peter Norman Brussels, Mar 9

markets and the problems involved in recycling the balance of payments surpluses of Opec members are likely to

response to last year's call by Mr William Miller, the then

sion of lending in the markets and fearful of its inflationary implications. Today the over-riding consideration is to do nothing that might call into question the capacity of the manner.

markets for recycling the esti-mated \$120,000m (£52,740m) of surplus oil money this year. The Basic meeting, therefore, can be expected to express as general confidence in the

under the auspices of the Bank-for International Settlements have taken a long and hard look at the Euromarkets. Their, reports are understood to stress the importance of prudential controls over the banks

It has also been suggested that countries like Japan could borrow from banks on the Euro-currency markets, killing two birds with one stone by covering part of their balance of passenger definitions. ments deficit and improving the mix of risks available to international banks. The money tary authorities in Switzerland. West Germany have incicated that they are prepared tomulti-currency reserve system. provided the development canbe carried out in an orderly

American money market assets increasing at a staggering rate

# Mutual funds start investment revolution

tion, wrote to Sir Keith urging him to refuse an IDC for the Bristol plant. Mr Callaghan asked the Secretary of State total assets under management to "take into account the real exactly two years ago of less than \$5,000m (£2,174m), but plight of the South Wales area in these problems of unemploynow the monthly increase alone ment and new industry.

Mr Callaghan wrote: "I am
sorry you do not feel able to in the amount of cash flowing into these funds is in excess of meer a delegation from South 55 000m.

The Investment Company Instirute announced last Friday night that total assets of the United States money market funds reached \$60,500m (£26,350m) by March 3. Mr Reg Green, a spokesman for the institute, said that this was almost four times as great as the volume of assets managed by these funds just one year

The funds provide a means for investors to obtain money market related rates of return and at the same time keep their cash in an exceptionally liquid form. Their appeal to individ-

usis and to corporate treasurers in this time of soaring interest rates has been staggering. The funds have become so important that the Federal Reserve Board has felt bound

to start taking a close interest.

the first time, being counted by the central bank as it compiles its money supply figures. The Investment Company Institute is providing the Federal Reserve with a weekly report on the to the institute.

The big brokerage houses are moving rapidly into becoming closer rivals of the banks. They are major operators in the money markets and by no means are their dealings confined these days to the more traditional commodity and equity exchanges.

The funds invest strictly in short-term paper, and everage materities of outstanding paper are between 30 and 40 days, Mr Green said. For the most part the funds only buy and sell bank certificates of deposit, commercial paper and Treasury bills, with some modest invest-ing in Eurodollar market paper some short-term notes issued by leading utilities.

American money market in them. The volume of cash ments that tend to range bement has been made an investor can buy new shares in the funds (£44) at a time. One vital aspect assets managed by the 79 indivi-dual mutual funds which report up to the very day of cash with-

> Another feature that has made the funds so attractive is their high liquidity. Some funds offer investors cheque books, while others guarantee to telex redemptions the same day as withdrawal requests are received. And there are no initial commissions to pay. The fund managers tend to pay out the full rate of return received on assets invested in the markets minus 0.5 per cent. Given the volume of cash being handled this 0.5 per cent amounts to a significant profit

The prime reason why these funds have simply taken off into the financial stratosphere is soaring interest rates. Archaic laws bar banks from paving The funds generally insist more than 5 to 6 per cent upon minimum initial invest- on short-term deposits. As in-

mutual funds are creating a managed by them is now, for tween \$1,000 (£440) and \$5,000 above these levels, and as infla-financial revolution. They had the first time, being counted by (£2,200). Once such an invest-tion has zoomed into the doubledigit zone, so people with sav-ings have become more and more disgruntled with the low return offered by banks and of the funds is that interest is building societies.

paid on a day-by-day basis right Slowly Congress is moving to

change this and allow banks and building societies to pay more. Meawhile, the bigger this gap, the greater the cash flowing into the money market mutual funds.

But what happens when interest rates start falling? Mr Green believes that for many investors the money market funds are an introduc-tion to mutual funds in general and that declining interest rates will see people switching quite slowly from money market funds into equity related funds. Meanwhile, public interest in the funds is staggering. Mr Green said the investment com-

pany institute received 60,000

written requests for information

about the funds in just the last

three months of 1979. Frank Vogl in Washington



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The state of the Eurocurrency system as it exists. of Opec members are likely to dominate the regular monthly meeting of Western central bank governors in Basle tomorrow and Tuesday.

The bankers will have a first chance to discuss together the reports on the Euromarkets drawn up by their experts in response to last vear's call be But the expert groups set up

The other forecast published today by the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry, says chairman of the United States Federal Reserve Board, for minimum reserve requirements History bas not been kind to Mr Miller's suggestion. It was born at a time when the international financiers were concerned at the rapid expan- and

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# Loss of trade and lack of language

Later this year, the modern languages working party of the Head Masters' Conference is producing a document in an attempt to get the university examination boards interested in entirely language-geared

The problem is that most "A" level syllabuses and uni-resity syllabuses in modern languages insist that quantities of classical literature should be learnt, and that essays should be written about it—in English. This puts off many potential linguists, who have no intention of studying literature in depth, or teaching languages them-

As a result, many students do not continue with a foreign language after "O" level, and it is these people who often finish up in engineering to speak foreign languages has marketing, sales and export to do with business success jobs, tmabel to compete linguis- abroad?

take people there is so intenso that even those wide open spaces must be getting a little crowded with British tourists.

holidays in the United States.

His is the classic rags-to-riches story. He had spent his life in and around airlines but lost his job as general manager of British Eagle Airlines (de-ceased) in 1970.

Earlier experience as a consultant to British airlines operating in America had given him the impression that transatlantic

travel was ready for takeoff. Restrictions on charter flights were being avoided or evaded

left right and centre, although cheap flights were supposed only to be available to clubs

or affinity groups.
As the lobby to abolish charter restrictions built up, he

gambled by setting up letsave, publishing his sales material in

advance of the day the law changed. And he compounded

the risk by chartering £500,000 worth of Boeing 707 seats ahead of the scramble he could see

London to New York run, achieving sales of £2m. This year be will carry 250,000

It was very much Mr Pycroft's own decision, too, to take Jetsave into package tours four

la's turnover will be £30m.

A gamble for the US

market pays off

Everyone is going to America hotel tour or fly/drive trips to this year. Canyons, deserts and the States. Around half his prairies crowd the travel brochures, and the competition to take people there is so intense area for growth in the future.

spaces must be getting a little spaces must be getting a little crowded with British tourists.

Many of them will be there by courtesy of Reg Pycroft, to name two big ones now conchairman of Jetsave Travel, ing in. He is philosophical about Britain's third largest (after that. "If you have a good idea Laker and British Airways) transatlantic carrier and one of the early pioneers of low-cost holidays in the United States.

In October 1972 the restrictions were lifted. Advance Booking Charter was established and the gamble paid off. In his first year his £100 company, you have to be sent investors, on the other hand, could. I want to keep pany soid 38,000 seats on the Jetsave as a private company.

Jetsave into package tours four long-term lease arrangements. I years ago, providing budget am not interested in foreign

lar market.

tically with their Gorman, French, Dutch, Swiss and Scandinavian competitors.

But do British companies really want their managers and really want their managers and representatives to speak foreign languages? Many foreign-language students, teachers and professional linguists think not—though many companies blame academia for having failed to produce linguists who are sufficiently practical or businesslike for their purpose. They complain that the They complain that the majority of available linguists are the last people to let loose

in the business world.

Besides, since the Americans do not speak foreign languages, while the much-admired Japancse speak western tongues rather hadly but still succeed in business very well, many companies ask what the ability

Cashing in on the craze for the wide open spaces

At present he is the single

we may be a small operation compared with some, but we are the biggest in that particu-

"We concentrate solely on

North America and Canada— a little in the Caribbean, But we are not interested in diver-

sification. I think this is the

Jetsave has come a long way in a remarkably short time. How has a one-man band coped with getting larger? "We now

have a conventional manage-

ment structure, I am no longer involved in day-to-day activities.

except finance. But we are still an 'open door' company. I think it is important to remain

A couple of years ago he sold 20 per cent of Jetsave to an Arab consortium. "Having the cash was nice and it gives us access to capital if we should want it." Is he not attracted by the shought of going public in a

blaze of entrepreneurial glory?
"If we wanted to buy planes
or that sort of thing the stock

Unlike many rivals, Jetsave

has no planes or hotels. Reg Pycroft believes that the argu-

the iravel business are suspect.
"Markets change so fest. We

think we are better off with

key to our success."

One company man who thinks otherwise is Mr Keith Brauer, president of the Institute of Sales Management, who says: "Only 26 per cent of our exports are to the English-speaking world, while 50 per cent are in western Europe. Is it not time for our own companies to press their assocompanies to press their asso-ciations and MPs for positive action so that our schools and universities are provided with an increasing number of quali-fied language teachers and an increasing curricula involve-ment with foreign languages?"

Mr Brauer says that, with more than 3,000 company directors among the institute's 16,000 members, "a regular dialogue is maintained with many decision-makers involved in exports, in particular with trade with in the EEC, who report the disadvantage they face when wishing to sell in Europe, where their competitors have

Reg Pycroft: benefits specialization.

real estate. Why lumber your-

self with huge assets thousands

of miles away when you have

neither the time nor the inclina-

tion to worry about them? 3 He

applies the same argument to planes: "I prefer to remain

He expects a huge risc in scheduled fares over the next six months. The last few years have seen the tariff structures

in glorious disarray—much to the benefit, and the confusion, of the customer. "The airlines

are now finding their own cut-

price fares uneconomic on the

basis of overhead costs. It has

got to the stage where they are not filling seats which would

have been empty but are losing more money the more passen-

will crack soon. It will make us look even more attractive, of

flexible."

sales personnel who can, with-out difficulty, negotiate in at least three commercial languages."

Commenting on the problem

of school children who give up foreign languages after their "O" levels, Mr D. M. Spawforth, housemaster at Wellington College, says that he undertook a research project into the subject, funded by British Petroleum in 1977.

As a result of this he proposed and set up in conjuncposed and set up, in conjunc-tion with the Oxford and Cambridge Schools Examination Board, a new course entitled German for Business
Studies, A similar course, in
French, was also drawn up, and
a Spanish course is now

The syllabus is aimed at those pupils who, on starting their "A" level courses, sive up their foreign languages—that is the engineers, managers,

Next week (March 22) Aston University is holding a one-day conference for schools on the value of increased knowledge of foreign languages. A foreign language steering committee at Aston, whose members include representatives from the business community (Mr M. Ward of Courtaulds and Mr Toutengi of Eurolang) attempting to set out the facts for both industry and academics.

Along with others who have investigated Britain's compara-tive lack of foreign language skills, Aston lays the blame on the education system "with its early specialization which later forces a company to choose between a linguist and a man with technical know-how".

**Bob Crew** 

## **Boardroom lessons** from Ozalid

The report by Department of Trade inspectors Messrs Neil Butter, QC, and Brian Kemp, FCA, into the affairs of the reprographic group Ozalid was published last week. It contains some devastating criticisms of the management of the company, although they are made almost in passing the main thrust of the criticism being directed segings the curious directed against the curious way in which Ozalid's directors were paid and the manner in those payments were

In particular, it emerges from the report: That the bulk of an experienced board never saw fit to query the establishment, for their benefit, of Swiss bank ac-counts or the receipt of sub-stantial sums of money by this eccentric method;

That they were apparently quite ignorant of their obligation to disclose to the company, in writing, their aggregate emoluments, under sections 196 and 198 of the Companies Act 1948;

That very substantial sums could apparently be moved, by some directors, to quite ficti-tious companies, without eny-one else (except, eventually, the auditors) raising so much as an

eyebrow; That, under the influence of

a chairman with "a fair amount a chairman with "a fair amount of Irish charm and a pleasant smile", who is described as a "master of filibuster", this experienced board could allow itself to be led into an expansionist policy which was "insufficiently thought out and unwisely financed", and eventually led to a collapse in Dutch group Oce van der profits and a bid from the Grinter. Grinter.

It is significant that none of the non-executive directors who have served the company was appointed until the worms were starting to come out of the woodwork. It is also significant that the company segretary althat the company secretary, although "more sinned against than sinning", tended to be dominated by his fellow directors: in fact the inspectors say that the need to have a vigilant and independent somewhat. and independent company sec-retary has been demonstrated by some of the events they investigated.

restigated.

Finally, Messrs Butter and Kemp recommend that, under given circumstances. Department of Trade inspectors should have powers to require production of evidence on a director's private bank account, whether held in the United Kingdom or oversess. Kingdom or overseas.
Advienne Gleeson

#### CHECKLIST

Port of London : Port of London Authority announced last week that India and Millwall Docks are to be closed, and cargo transferred to Royal Docks and Tilbury.

American interest rates: Prima rates from 161 to 171 per cent

Low interest loans: under a £20m agreement with the Euroyear loans will be offered to smaller manufacturing com-

partment of Industry has started a new service offering advice to small companies. Ring Freefone

Brown (Inspector of Texes) v Burniey Football and Athletic Co Ltd: expenditure incurred by Burniey Football and Ath-letic Co on a new spectators' stand to replace an old and unsafe one was not incurred on "repairs" to the club's section 130 (d) of the Income year losts will be obtained and Corporation Taxes Act panies in the assisted areas on 1970, and accordingly was not preferential terms. Margaret Drummond preferential terms. deductible in computing profits of the company.

# Absent incentives in Britain's hopes for microchip advance From Mr R. A. HammondChambers vesting in new technology enterprises for these venture capital is based on being able to Wrong-label Rrom Mr G. F. Wooldridge Sir. As a layman who enjoy his wine, I was astonished read Business Diary's repu (February 29) to the effe that a British buyer h acquired a high quall Medoc vineyard at a barga price merely by purchasing 1 acres of land in the Vi planted a few years ago wi Cabernet Sauvignon vin but is based on being able to

There is a very important in-gredient missing in most analyses as of this problem the lack of incentive for the entrepreneur. Close company law, personal taxation, govern-ment and private attitudes all ment and private attitudes all mitigate against the entrepre-neur becoming personally very wealthy if he, or she, succeeds, It is absolutely imperative that such incentive does exist be-cause the microelectronics businesses, due to its very rapid rate of technological obsoles-cence, is as risky a business as

exists.

Because companies, even well established ones, can be literally bankrupted by one technological leap, the "wage-slave" is unlikely to be able to create a company like National Semiconductor Inc out of which Robert Noyco has personally made many millions of dollars, California and Boston are littered with "microchip millionaires"; but there are many ires"; but there are many

times as many failures.

Because the reward for success is so attractive in the United States, there are many ventures formed in any year and there is great competition swong fund managers to par-ticipate in their financing. In-

cash for microelectronics ventures" (The Times, March 3) is a most pertinent issue; its resolution is the key to breaking out of the productivity rur into which we have sunk during the last 35 years.

There is a very invariant funds has been very rewarding but is based on being able to spread their risks among many ventures. It is this success that encourages managers to make encourage encourages managers to make encourage encourages managers to

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The situation need not be any different in Britain. My own firm has participated in several ventures in the United States, but only a few in the United Kingdom. We have formed a company with the special objective of backing British micro-electronics ventures but we have great difficulty in finding suitable opportunities for investment. I have no doubt that there are millions of pounds, possibly hundreds of millions, available for investment in micro-electronics ventures, if only the chviconment were attractive.
The tremendous success achieved in raising many millions of pounds for the development of North Sea oil, a very high risk venture, bears witness of the availability of

risk capital. At present it is particularly unattractive. It calls for a quite different attitude to the problem on the part of the government, media, and even investors in order to solve the problem.

Yours faithfully, R. A. HAMMOND-CHAMBERS, 1 Charlotte Square. Edinburgh EH2 4DZ.

The vines may well be am entic, and one wishes Brunet a good vintage, regulations will, or shormake it quite impossible market it as Medoc of a quality whatever, surely the differences in soil and climwill produce a wine of entirely different character. G. F. WOOLDRIDGE, Hallonsford.

Failure of PER From C. G. Crill
Sir, My experience with Prof
sional Executive Recruitmen similar to that of Mr W. Pringle. I registered with P in August 1973 when I beca redundant and in over six ye had not so much as a suggest of a job. On the other han, small but highly effici agency for the over fifties found no less than four shiterm jobs and one long-ke part-time job in that time agree entirely that abandonm of the recruitment function

Box Hedge, Acton Bridge,

the PER would be helpfu

### ED 24: the inflation accounting debate

Sir, Professor Kennedy and Mr. Gibs have been influential in the formulation of the two new proposals which ED 24 has added to the Sandilands recommendations. While it is natural that they should defend the proposals, their letter (Fabruary 21) shows that they are under serious misapprenhensions of our views.

under serious misapprenhensions of our views.

Consider first the real gains
to lenders from borrowing
under inflation. Equity profits
are clearly a firm's surplus
after meeting all loan servicing
costs. Thus if a firm borrows
film for one year at 10 per cent
when inflation is also 10 per
cent, and say all prices and
costs also rise by 10 per cent,
then clearly the firm pays and then clearly the firm pays and the borrower receives a zero real rate of interest. The firm will clearly have higher real profits than if no inflation had occurred. This year's borrowing gain is thus both real and fully reflected in this year's equity profits. Had the loan been for year's been for, say, 10 years we could discount the gain from the first lowering future borrowing costs for the other nine years. But as we pointed out this is a

From Mr A. J. Merrett and Mr benefits from whatever sources argued that either this sum are also discounted and brought even the more modest £670 into account. This, however, is not what

anyone is proposing because the method is obviously impracticable— it would amount to equating annual income to changes in share values. Hence it is legitimate to take into account only each year's borrowing gains as they arise, which historic cost accounts aiready do. No further corrections are necessary : no borrowing gain escapes being accounted for when it arises.

The ED 24 gearing adjust-ment has a quite different rationale: it is the borrowed proportion of realized holding gains and can arise without any gains and can arise without any general inflation at all. As we have shown, for productive assets, in contrast to investment assets, holding gains bring no benefits so they cannot justify such an adjustment, still less the Kennedy/Gibbs preferred adjustment of the borrowed proportion of unrealized gains.

In the 1978 column of pur In the 1978 column of our

table, taking gearing on the ED 24 basis on current asset values age fiscal asset lines at, say, 10 years, the Kennedy/Gibbs proposal would add perhaps £4,000 million to industrial legitimate procedure only if all £4,000 million to industrial the firm's future costs and profits. Can it seriously be

investment, taxes, wage negotions, etc., when they are be on a non-existent benefit ? it should always be rememb that such gearing adjustments only be realized either further borrowing or redu the scale of a business. Thi why so many reject the EI type gearing adjustment.

Turning briefly to mone corrections, which received a passing reference in article, our view is quite ferent from what Me -Kennedy and Gibbs have resented. Where credit has be extended and earns no e return, it is a cost again pro-like any other and is not a gated by borrowing. We however, increased credit carn a normal return, a usually true of banks, etc. cost arises and no correctio called for, Precisely what the facts for particular c panies or industries is a ma for investigation rather the single rule.

Yours faithfully,

Leatherhead

# Carrington Viyella

# 'A year of severe and complex difficulties'



Extracts from the Statement by the Chairman for the year ended 31 December

Leonard Regan.

The results for 1979, as announced, are extremely disappointing. The difficulties experienced during the year were more severe in complexity than those encountered during the recession year of 1975. Quite apart from the high level of imports and the transport strike in January, the increase in VAT, with its consequent effect on public spending, together with the high interest rates imposed during the year, significantly reduced the level of retail trading in the last six

The continued strength of sterling has presented us with two problems. Firstly, the task of exporting is made more difficult and, whilst we have maintained the volume of exports, there was inevitably a reduction in profit margins. Secondly, imports have become more competitive at a time when UK industry has to cope with the increasing cost of manufacturing resulting from the substantial and rapid increase in the rate of inflation.

The volume of imports of textiles and clothing increased by 13% over 1978. Whilst the quotas under the MFA bilateral agreements with the developing countries were only marginally exceeded, nevertheless, the full utilisation of these quotas produced increased volumes within those categories. In addition, the Mediterranean Associates materially increased their shipments of woven soun synthetic fabrics, blouses, dresses, shirts and suits.

The imports from the USA of manmade fibre products such as polyester yarns, nylon carpet yarns and tufted carpets, continued to escalate. All these products are more competitive due to lower oil and energy costs in the USA. The textile industry has pressed vigorously, for more than nine months, for action to be taken. It is bitterly disappointing, therefore, that in spite of pressure from HM Government, the EEC Commission authorised quota restraints on only two of the three products cited and at levels which reflect the high import levels of 1979. Slowness in taking action, as in this case, only worsens the position.

It is salutary to compare the fortunes of the textile industry in the UK with the success of our operations in Canada, South Africa and Australia, where governments are more responsive to the needs of the domestic industry; thereby creating a basis for

expansion in volume, profitability and employment.

Reorganisation The actions taken in respect of reorganisation are expected, in a full year, at least to neutralise trading losses of approximately £5 million sustained during 1979. The impact on our labour force has been severe, with redundancies in the UK amounting to approximately 2,000.

Capital Expenditure

I must now turn to the cost of financing the business. The current rate of MLR at 17% imposed in November, preceded by the increase to 14% in the Budget, can only be regarded as penal to manufacturing industry. Regrettably, we found it necessary substantially to curtail capital expenditure during the last six months and, whilst the current penal interest rate exists, We must of necessity plan our capital expenditure in 1980 at a level somewhat below the 1979 figure. It is also with regret that your Board found it prudent to recommend a reduced dividend for the year.

The Future

So what does the future hold for our Company? The textile industry will continue to change in the future and our success will be measured by our ability and skill to act quickly to deal with weaknesses as and when they occur. At the same time we shall continue to develop the successful areas of business which show

prospects for growth and which give a satisfactory return on capital - in particular Dorma, high technology knitted fabrics and garments under our leading brand names such as Van Heusen, Peter England and Louis Philippe. We have now almost completed our 4-year programme of capital investment to produce energy savings and the economies achieved have been substantial. We shall drive even harder to reduce costs and increase productivity, a task to which all employees are dedicated.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at The Cafe Royal, Regent Street, London W1 on Tuesday, 1 April 1980 at 12 noon.

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts can be obtained upon request to the Secretary, 24 Great Pulteney Street, London W1R 3DB,

results in Brief		
	1979	1978
	£,000	£"000
Sales to external customers Group excluding Consolidated Textile Mulls Ltd.	312,792	296,009
Consolidated Textile Mulls Ltd.		26,697
	312,792	322,706
Trading profit	16,645	21,022
Profit before taxation and extraordinary items	8,493	14,509
Earnings per ordinary share-	3.18p	5.68p
Dividends per ordinary share	1.10p	2,350

Dorma Louis Philippe Clydella Dhobi Allen Solly Evvaprest Van Heusen Kapwood Peter England Londonpride Aertex Rocola Quelrayn Viyella Viyella House

Carrington Viyella Ltd

The recent debate on infla-

tion accounting has been characterized by a failure to

define clearly and discuss the assumptions which are being made. This is not a mere pedantic objection. The concept of

profit is much more complex

han is popularly supposed, and,

f it is accepted that the world

is characterized by uncertainties and market imperfections which

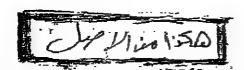
make valuation a process of estimation, it is impossible to define a single measure of

Thus, there is a variety of measures of profit, each of which might be relevant in

certain circumstances. This is

one reason for the length and

profit.



## BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

# International banking under pressure

International banks are having an increas- recorded films, and the videodisc which is ingly frustrating time. At issue is whether the long-awaited turnaround in Euromarket lending terms, so eagerly acclaimed by hard-pressed bankers before Christmas, is proving to be a mirage.

The indications emerging from a number of deals in the past two or three weeks are that the markets may still be on the side of the borrowers rather than the lenders. Countries as varying as Finland, Hungary and Ecuador have been arranging deals on terms every bit as competitive as those of late last year. If, as some bankers are beginning to fear, lending margins—effectively a bank's return over and above its own cost of funds-are not, after all, on a rising trend, the implications for inter-national banks will be serious indeed.

The grounds for believing that spreads were beginning to recover from their wafer-thin levels were the oil price rises and the economic and financial uncertainty resulting from events in Iran and Afghani-

Higher oil prices, in particular, meant a sharp deterioration in the balance of payments outlook of the world's non-oil producers. They meant bigger deficits and, especially for developing countries, the perentially diminishing ability to service debt because of the expectation of a recession-inspired weakness in commodity

Borrowing demand was thus set to rise and credit-worthiness to fall. Steeply climbing dollar interest rates only aggravated the dobt-service problem. The clear conclusion drawn by most bankers was that the squeeze on lending margins, and hence profitability, which had intensified progressively since 1976, would come to an end. As risk rose, so would the return required by lending

During the early weeks of this year, all the evidence appeared to vindicate this view, for example, typical lending maturities which had crept up to 12 years or more under the pressure of fierce competition to lend, shrank hack to more like eight, and there were clear signs of spreads rising. However, loan volume also fell away sharply, and trends were difficult to pin down. Now volume is picking up fast, and with it so are the doubts about whether those earlier hopeful signs were a fair reflection of an underlying change.

It is still too early to tell. Logic favours the bankers rather than the lenders, but the competitive desire to win new loan busimass remains strong. If spreads are going to rise, it seems likely to be a much more contly process than happened, say, after

the Herstatt Bank collaose in 1974.

If, on the other hand, the new year imcrovement turns out to have been only a comprary aberration, the banks will have very little to look forward to in the future. A market that can shrug off the recent political and economic events must wonder that has to happen before the tide turns in er our of the lender.

Bankers are only too aware that recession is coming, and with it, presumably, a decline in bedrock commercial and industrial lender z. At that point, the competition to find elternative new loan outlets in the Eurorearisets could be expected to intensify.

And that, of course, would renew the spacese on lending margins. Whatever haprens, the pressure on profits from Euromerket lending will continue for the next year or so as the high yielding loans of the mid-1970; gradually work through banks parifolies.

Television rentals

#### The lure of video

The financial implications of video cassettes and allied products such as videodiscs, home computers and film record libraries have hardly been given an airing in the City. Yet, the outlook for television cental companies could be dramatically transformed. For Thorn, the much criticized acquisition of EM! could yet prove a far shrewder move than anyone expected and could restore the

company to its former growth path. The battle for an accepted international canderd for the various products is already fiercely on in the United States. The two major products, both very suitable for the traditional rental business, are the videocasserte which allows the consumer to record programmes and purchase preused much as the present gramophone

As the battle hots up, control of existing film libraries is crucial and this must be a clue to one of the reasons behind the Thorn

Unlike other rental companies. Thorn is saddled with an enormous television manufacturing capacity. If it wishes to remain technologically independent it had little option but to move into the video business. And on this score EMI could prove extremely useful. It not only already has the capacity to make records and equipment compatible with the JVC system which looks to have the market edge for the moment, it also has a huge film library consisting of its own films and sole distribution rights for major foreign films.

For Thorn this sort of vertical integration is not a bad start. Not surprisingly Thorn, which has been placing some 25 per cent of its new rental business in video cassettes systems, has used exclusively JVC materials. Stockbrokers Buckmaster and Moore for example estimate that Thorn's growth of income from rentals could be around 20 per cent a year by the middle of the decade, double what it would have been without video systems. And this takes no account for benefits from selling films and making

Thorn's shares are on a prospective p e ratio of around 9 compared to Granada's 12 and the less representative 20 for Electronic Rentals which is a pure rental business. Should it be able to divest itself of EMI's medical interests and push forward in the video field. Thorn shares on a medium view could turn out cheap because of the long lean times other companies face.

Investment trusts

#### Twenty years

The debate over the future of the investment trust continues, though increasingly it looks as though the long-standing argument of conservatives within the sector—that net asset value performance has on the whole been good and that shareholders should not bother their heads over anything as vulgar as the share price—are being overtaken by the radicals from within and without.

From within there are, on the one hand, the radical conservatives, like lyory & Simo or the Foreign & Colonial group, who have relied on greater specialization and greater disclosure to persuade investors that it was worthwhile buying their shares rather than doing the job themselves; and on the other, the iconoclasts like Rothschild Investment Trust, whose managers have, in the past, moved in mysterious ways their wonders to perform-and who if rumours be true. plan still more radical departures in the trust structure in the immediate future.

From the outside, the radicals now take in stockbrokers Wood Mackenzie, who have finally succumbed to the conviction that the discount on investment trust shares will not go away on any permutation of existing circumstances, and that something else would have to be done.

Their solution, as set forward in their latest annual review of the industry, is hanges in legislation permitting companies to buy their own shares. They argue that the mere fact that the trusts could buy their own shares, thereby reducing the over-capacity which has plagued the industry since the last great expansion in the early 1970s, would tend to bring the discount down, and that an orderly programme of redemptions at a small discount to net asset value would bring it down still further.

These are, however, counsels of despair: They recognize that nothing will so much become a trust in the market as the manner of its leaving it. Besides, they are open to abuse: The fly boys are likely to indulge in some "round tripping"-take their money on one set of shares and re-invest it in another for future redemption at a smaller

As the brokers themselves point out, those trusts with a good performance to their credit command a relatively high rating already; and such trusts are very often specialists-in United Kingdom small companies, in Japanese stocks and in the oil sector. The answer for investment trust managers surely lies in developments like these in tailoring their investment expertise to the market as it is, rather than trying to pre-tend that the market is as it was 20 years ago, or giving up the game altogether.

# Inflation accounting: why the debate has gone off course

Recent criticisms of Exposure Draft (ED) 24 are examined by Geoffrey Whittington

conventional (historic costs) accounts for his house, as if it were a business, the balance sheets at both the beginning and the end of the year will show the house at cost (£20,000) and the loan and his equity at the amounts originally subscribed (£10,000 each). The profit reported on this basis would be nil which is the same as the operating profit.

apparent lack of resolution of The CCA (current cost The CCA (current cost accounting) alternative preferred by Merrett and Sykes would give a different picture. The closing balance sheet would show the house at ascurrent value (£24,000) and the loan would still be only £10,000, so that the owner's entire has given in £14,000. The the debate on inflation account-The recent article by Mr A. J. Merrett and Mr Allen Sykes (The Times, February 11) epitomizes this problem. Iwo of their assertions are particularly controversial. First, that "firms equity has risen to £14,000. The cannot benefit from a rise in the replacement cost of the Profit and Loss Account would report an operating profit of tools of their trade any more than as individuals we can benefit from a rise in the replacement cost of our clothes nil (as before), but a separate Statement of Gains would show the "holding gain" on the house of £4,000. This would be or other consumer durables.".
Secondly, that "the gain from
the failing real burden of
indebtedness is already reflected transferred to a capital main-tenance reserve, which is part of the equity interest in the balance sheet, and would not as it arises year by year in conventional accounts.". appear as profit.

Consider a common example of a consumer durable financed by a loan—a house financed by This treatment of the gain in the value of the house as a capital reserve rather than a profit is a manifestation of a mortgage. (This example of an asset which does not depre-ciate is chosen for simplicity, Merrett and Sykes' contention that firms cannot benefit from rises in the cost of the tools of their wade, and individuals but the subsequent argument could easily be extended to could easily be extended to cover depreciating assets, like clothing.) Assume that the house costs £20,000, of which £10,000 is borrowed and £10,000 paid by the owner. After one year, assume that the value of the house has risen by 20 per cent, but that general inflation has been only 10 per cent. For simplicity, assume that an language that an language that the paid of the house has risen by 20 per cent. cannot benefit from rises in the cost of consumer durables. This is the "entity" concept of capital maintenance and is the most important of Merrett and Sykes' implicit assumptions. It surely requires justification, as it implies that all appreciation of assets held by the business ("holding gains") is regarded as not giving rise to plicity, assume that no loan repayments are made and that the value which the ownera profit, yet any depreciation of occupier sets on his use of the house exactly equals the mortthe same assets would be deducted from profit at full gage interest plus maintenance

costs, ie, the operating profit is nil.

A possible justification might seem to be the need to provide compensation for inflation, but this would be better provided by a general purchasing power adjustment, since inflation is to do with changes in general purchasing power. In terms of our example the householder requires only \$1,000 (1.10 of [10,000] to protect his equity against inflation, and there is additional [3,000 gain in the value of his house.

Merrett and Sykes would, no doubt, object that the specific assets of the business are the "real" capital which must be maintained. However, if those assets are rising in value at a rate faster than that of infla-tion, there must surely he some tion, there must surely he some gain in real value which benefits the equity, unless we assume that the yield on assets is declining. But a declining yield would bring into question the wisdom of replacement, and with it the necessity for charging replacement cost depreciation. charging replacement depreciation.

burden of the loan.

year (\$4.000) and the amount

necessary to maintain its value relative to inflation (£2.000).

The gain on borrowing repre-

We can also question the curious distinction which Merrett and Sykes make between investment assets, gains on which can be treated as profit, and productive assets, whose "rise in value per se produces no benefits in cash or kind". If this were the case, we should be despondent about the probe despandent about the pro-spects of industry: we should be well advised to hold "invest-ment assets" and eschew "pro-ductive assets". But surely the prospects are not as gloomy as this: if prices are rising, we save money by buying now rather than later and "holding gains" on "productive assets" reflect this very real benefit. Productive assets represent a store of real services held for future use.

So much for the benefits derivable from "rises in the replacement cost of tools of the trade". What of the gain from botrowing? CCA, like the alter-

"real terms" accounts allow for real capital maintenance and separate any gains into those obtained by successful investment (the holding gain) and those obtained by successnative methods, shows the loan ful financing (the gain on at its face value in the closing balance sheet. The gain from borrowingi. barrowing a fixed monetary amount in a period of inflation

It is to be hoped that infla tion accounting practice will evolve towards a "real terms" solution. Either CCA or CPP is not shown separately but serves to swell the reported (current purchasing power) would have done this, each offering part of the total system. ED 24 (the most recent holding gain on the asset and is mansferred, as part of this gain, to the capital maintenance reserve. Thus, CCA is inconmodifications of the Sandilands. stent because interest is charged against the profit but the gain on borrowing is not inflation accountancy recom-mendations) attempts more. It offers a CCA system, of which Mercott and Sykes approve, and added to profit, although this gain is one of the benefits for a crude form of general price level adjustment, of which they which interest is paid, It is well known that, in times of inflation, interest payments are do not approve. If their dis-approval had been based on the partly a repayment of the real ultra-conservative form of gearing adjustment proposed by ED 24, they would have had the support of the original proponents of the gearing adjustment. If they had argued that any gearing adjustment is A method of accounting which deals with these problems is "real terms" account-ing which formed the basis of the initial professional response to the Sandihands report. This adopts the CCA method of asset inferior to general price level adjustment in reporting the effects of inflution, they would valuation but combines it with have the support of the present writer, who does indeed sup-port their critique of the monetary working capital adthe general purchasing power concept of capital maintenance, illustrated earlier. Applying this to the housing example would give a total profit figure of

53,000, comprising operating profit nil, (as before), real holding gain on the house £2.000 and a gain on horrowing of £1.000. The real holding gain on the house is the difference hetween its rise in value in the However, their central thesis appears to be that there is no problem of inflation which is not adequately dealr with in CCA, so that no form of general price level adjustment is neces-sary. This is an ill-founded view, which is unlikely to ad-vance the progress of inflation accounting practice: indeed, its total rejection of any form of general price level adjustment suggests that inflution in the the amount necessary to maintain the original real value of the loan (£11,000) and its generally accepted sense either does not exist or is irrelevant to accounting.

current monetary amount (£10,000): in other words, it is The author is Projessor of Accounting and Finance, Bristol University. He is at present Social Science Research Coun-cil research jellow in inflation the rate of inflation times the money value of the loan. The total profit, £3,000 is the gain in value of the house, less the amount necessary to compensate the proprietor for inflation, ment of Applied Economics and as calculated earlier. Thus Fitzwillium College, Cambridge.

# Music industry's changing rhythm

The swallowing of EMI by Thorn Electrical and of Decca's music interests by Polygram (jointly owned by Philips and Siemens) is nor the only shakeup reverberating in Britain's £375m-a-year retail market for records and tapes.

Sales, particularly of albums. Sales, particularly of albums, have recently declined. The number of record albums sold last year was 74.5 million, a 13.5 per cent drop on the previous year, and the steady growth in singles records appears to have been checked in the second half of 1979.

A total of 89 million singles was sold during the year, a marginal 0.3 per cent increase on 1978. But the third quarter

on 1978. But the third quarter saw a 17 per cent drop in sales compared with the same buater of 1973, and the final quarter a 13 per cent curback, according to British Phonographic Industry figures.

There had been an enormous sales drive in 1973. A combina-

tion of massive television promotions and the emergence of star tracks like Polygram's record-breaking double albums for Saturday Night Fever and Grease, each of which notched up 20 million sales worldwide, helped to push sales up. There is a growing feeling in the industry that what is happening now is a settling down of the market to a more realistic level.

What is notably absent from
the scene is any sign of a
successor remotely in the 1,000

million discs class of the universelly-appealing Bearles. Their eightles equivalent is a phenomenon the recording industry can only hope for.
Not surprisingly in a con-

fused situation there are widely differing views about prospects for the recorded music market. There are those, for instance.



The Beatles in their beyday: no eighties equivalent in sight.

record and tape buyers—being responsible for further sales declines this year as recession

But not all the companies are beginning the eighties on a low

note.
Polygram among the recording companies and the Harlequin chain among the record shops both report that so far this year sales figures at least show no decline on last year. Harlequin has been seeing some weeks this year up to 20 per

cent or more.

Mr Lloyd Kreiger, Harlequin's managing director, believes that even the problem of illegal home copying of who see a growing number of of illegal home copying of on-the-dole youngsters—part of records and tape performances,

the single biggest group of a potent factor for some time in stunting sales growth, may well have bottomed out.

This is a far from universal view, as the industry loses an estimated £150m a year in lost sales because of home copying. The industry has been cam-paigning since 1977 for a form of royalty payment to recoup the losses and the Department the losses and the Department of Trade is still considering an investigating committee's recommendation that a levy should go on to sales of tape recording equipment.

The industry wants a fasteracting remedy and is lobbying for royalties to be paid on sales of blank tapes. There are an estimated 50 million blank cussettes being sold annually com-

settee being sold annually com-pared with just over 23 million prerecorded cassettes and one suggestion is that 12 million people are regularly taping copyright material at home.

If the sales squeeze turned out to be severe this year, the question is whether there will be a further shakeout on a Decca or EMI scale. This seems unlikely because the sort of management problems to which Decca and EMI had been heir are essentially not dupli-

cated elsewhere; pulling out of the market by what are mostly record company subsidiaries would more likely depend on one of the various strong parent organizations involved deciding that tapes and records were heading for a real historical decline. The old Exil's music side was

also strong compared with some of its other activities and under Thorn, as EMI Music, still has the largest slice of the United Kingdom market at around 20 per cent. Its main competitors -CBS and WEA, both United States-based, are close behind in market share with Polygram's Phonogram and Polydor operations on their neels—are speculating whether, under Thorn EMI Music's activities may be tightened up location a may be tightened up, leaving a little more market share for

likely to be how far it can exploit its United States interests to bring in from there more new star talents, Sir Richard Cave. Thorn's chairman, has already denied rumours that he was looking for a buyer for EMI's music and enterrainment divisions

The key for EMI Music is

Sic Richard said Thorn was not only bringing to bear greater financial resources to support EMI Music through what he described as the rather difficult period facing the rec-ord industry, but he believed it could itself make a success-ful future. ful future.

As for Decca, which Polygram is still studying in detail, the losses there of around 14m are not worrying its new Dutch-German parent which now claims to be the world's largest music business. Polygram's spread across 31 countries will mean far greater marketing possibilities for the Decca cataogues, according to Mr David Fine, chief executive of Poly-

He said: "The classical catalogue is superb. Its middle-ni-the-road catalogue—like Mantovani-is somewhat historic can still be well used." Point gram, by just taking on the catalogues and only some portable recording equipment with same staff, has cut out the old Decca's fixed factory and various costs.

The Decca label will stay on the classical catalogue and there will be "no attempt other than to develop Decca further ". said Mr Fine. The plan is to beef up the popular music appeal of the label, although Polygram's inclination is to An for middle-of-the-road AOR, or adult orientated rock. He added: "Bidding for acts

on the pop side has often been crushing. A lot of the problems of the industry lies in abuse of that kind, even though in this business you do have to take

As with others in the industry, the prospect of the video disc software market brings a gleam to Mr Fine's eyes, especially as Philips is pioneering in the hardware side. He rates video disc as a "terribly impor-tant market" by the mid-cighties.

There are other factors which might set the adrenalin running again in this yolatile industry. Digital recording, in which audio signals are stored as numbers in a computer memory, is one of several new technologies which are in the experimental phase.

Derek Harris

# Business Diary profile: The chemistry of 'Tiny' Rowland

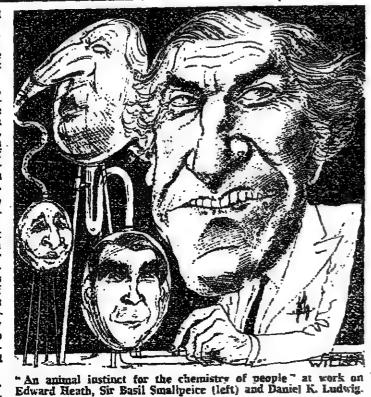
Controversy, Lourho and Roland "Tiny" Rowland have a tendency to go band in hand, a proposition which is likely to receive further proof at the company's annual meeting next

The man himself, however, has maintained his characteristic individual stance in the face of the approaching storm clouds, racing back from Africa, round Europe and on to Britain while dictating the course of the international trading con-plamerate from a telephone in Lie company's Guifarream jet. "I have an instinct, a deep

en mel instinct, for the chemis-Part of that animal instruct is an iron will to succeed which largely responsible for Learna's remarkable achieve ments Another ingredient is e: ecutive on a dominant role in , surging the company, a dominince hordering on autocracy which goes a long way to reclaiming why many institucyclaining why many institu-ional investors have shunned us stock for some years.

Those who have done busitess with him view the charis-notic elegantly-dressed figure a shrowd negotiator, capable i holding highly complex de-ails in his head. That is just well; most of the deals he tex. Those who have lost spainst him say that behind the charm is a determined singleundeuness which never

Enth sides agree he is a Servicer who gots what he about their personal life and It conque more persuasive than mine".



that of any doorstep brush Whether he thinks about anything else but Lonrho is a point

of constant speculation. Any questions on his personal life-inquiries from the press are more often dealt with by a close aide-are met with a bland, "That is my personal affair. I don't ask other people about their personal life and

In fact Rowland has made no secret that he would like to make his own personal arrain. with Lourba, in which he has a £27m personal stake, a private concern out of the public eye and free himself of the responsibilities which govern a public company.

In the City, his personal friendship and recent hatel deal with Daniel K. Ludwig, reputedly the world's richest man; financing the operation.

The £86,000-a-year Lonhro chief executive built his stake

and the company from the for-mer London and Rhodesian Mining and Finance company which he was invited to join in 1961. Since then he has emerged from two clashes with the Government, a major boardroom raw which attempted to dismiss him, and a Department of Trade inquiry during which time Edward Heath, then Prime Minister, was stirted to call certain aspects of Lonrho the "un-acceptable face of capitalism".

Stories that "Tiny" started as a porter on Paddington Station and in his youth craftily positioned himself near the more lucrative first class compartments are untrus. He was born in India of a German father and English mother. One story ha is happy to relate is that he was educated in England and on the Continent before joining his uncle's shipping business in London. He later branched out on his own, manufacturing reirigerators and electrical goods, before selling our and emigrating to Rhodesia in

Lourno suffered a liquidity crisis in the early 1970s and major investors brought Sir Basil Smallpeice and other outsiders on to the board. One of the biggest boardroom rows in the City then erupted with allegations that the Lourho directors were living virtually renefree in homes bought by

the company. The report of the Department of Trade inquiry said that in 1967, 1968 and 1959 Lourho

are seen as the prelude to did not discharge with care its duties in relation to British sanctions in Rhodesia. But by sanctions in Knouesia, but by
the time the report appeared,
Rowland had already confirmed his position at the top of
Loarho by putting it to the
vote at an extraordinary sharehaldene meeting his small holders meeting. His small shareholders supported him against the Smallpeice faction. Since then, among a myriad

deals, he has bought nearly 20 per cent of the House of Fraser, the Harrods Stores group headed by Sir Hugh Since then there has been al-

most no end to the controversy. Last year one of the major shareholders, Gulf Fisheries, controlled by Snaikh Nasser, was defeated in its attempts to put its men on the Lourho board. The Kuwaitis took the defeat badly and it is an open secret they are now loose holders of around a fifth of Lonrho's shares-

On Friday they attack again, wanting to know why the group wants to raise the issued share capital by 40 million shares when there are still 28 million authorized but unissued shares still around.

And behind the scenes, businessman Mr Graham Ferguson Lacey has let it be known that he is trying to buy Gulf Fisueries' stake and is thought to be negotiating for something much bigger—some believe a full bid for Lourho.

That could be a battle Royale.

The City keeps both men at arm's length and would view

such a titanic clash of personali-

ties with bemused detachment Philip Robinson

#### Scottish United Investors Dividend increased by 43% UNITED KINGDOM 428 Revenue earned for ordinary shareholders increased **EUROPE 21%** significantly from 1.55p pershare in 1978 to 2 23p in 1979. Total distribution of 2.15p per share proposed for 1979, an increase of 43 per cent. 59 per cent of portfolio overseas, but many companies classified as UK have substantial or, in some cases, their principal activities overseas, and an appreciable weight of investment within the UK is likely to remain appropriate. However, assisted by the abolition of exchange controls and the strength of sterling, the Board is pursuing a policy of progressively increased investment in overseas markets. Robert C. Smith, Chairman. Summary of the Year 1979 Total assets £100,097,997 £104.151.735 JAPAN 5.7". GEOGRAPHICAL 86,666,863 87,249,714 DISTRIBUTION 5,502,850 ASIA5-07 4,499,590 **Gross revenue GFINVESTMENTS** 1,718,392 2,478,203 Net revenue AT 31-12-79 2.15p 1.5p AUSTRALIA 4-67 Copies of the Accounts available from: SCOTTISH UNITED INVESTORS LIMITED. BRAZIL 05'. SOUTH AFRICA 47'. SCOTTISH UNITED INVESTORS LIMITED. STRENTIED STREET, GLASGOW G2 1JU. EQUITIES 95.6% FIXED INTEREST 4.4%

#### FINANCIAL NEWS

# **Carrington Viyella** faces spending cut

Carrington Viyella, which reported a 42 per cent profits fall to £8.5m pre-tax for last year.

The chairman adds that the major rationalization and resonant forms before taxation if accounts had been appointed to at least particular regions. had been compiled on a current cost basis.

A current cost profit and loss account compiled in accorddance with the proposed Statement of Standard Accounting of 1979. Practice (ED24) contained in the annual report shows that historical trading profits of £16.6m would have been more

than wiped out by current cost adjustments of £21m.
These adjustments, mainly cost of sales of £10.2m and additional depreciation of £8.3m. would leave a current cost trad-ing loss of £4.7m which would rise to an attributable loss of

As a result the dividend which Carrington slashed by 55 per cent and which is more than twice covered on historical earnings would have taken the overall current cost loss to over

In his annual report, Mr Leonard Regan the chairman refers to his bitter disappointment over the level of quota restraints on textile imports announced by the EEC Commission last month. The industry has already declared that these will provide only minimal pro-tection for the bome industry from United States exports of man-made fibres.

Mr Regan says: "It is salury to compare the fortunes the textile industry in the United Kingdom with the success of our operations in Canada, South Africa and

are more responsive to the needs of domestic industry." neutralize trading losses of £5m incurred in 1979.

He warns that the group will have to curtail capital expen-diture this year to a figure "somewhat below" the £11.6m

Mr Regan says that in the face of growing competition Carrington will continue to develop the successful areas of the business which show pros-pects for growth, in particular Dorma high technology knitted fabrics and garments under the Van Heusen, Peter England and Louis Philippe brand names.

#### C. & J. Clark sales up but profits drop

C. & J. Clark, the privately owned shoe group, saw profits drop 8.5 per cent to £17.7m last year. This was despite a 16 per cent sales increase to £288.8m. As well as manufacturing, the Somerset-based group's interests include the Ravel Shoe chain and Hanover Shoe Incorporated, of the United States.

GRANADA GROUP

"The high rate of inflation and the rising level of unemployment must have an impact on our business", warns Mr Alex Bernstein, chairman, in his annual report. However, Granada is firmly based in the businesses of entertainment, eisure, services and communications, all of which are well placed even in times of adversity and have excellent prospects when the have excellent prospects when the economy improves.

#### Rising gold price works magic for Amgold

Soaring gold prices have worked their magic on Anglo American Gold Investment, the holding company 48.7 per cent controlled by Mr Harry Oppenheimer's Anglo American Corheimer's Anglo American Corman, Mr Lee Iacocca, says that poration. Pre-tax profits for the year to the end of February were R131m (£72.8m) compared

14-month period. Earnings per share were 583 cents against 318, and the company has declared a final dividend of 350 cents, making 525 cents for the whole year. Tax

was nil. Amgold declared net assets of R221m, up R12m. The company, one of several investment one of several investment vehicles in the Anglo empire, has stakes in 53 mines, mining companies, and other bodies.

The market value of these investments is R2,231m. The

three most valuable holdings are Eas: Driefontein (11.1 per

cent), Vaal Reels (16.3 per cent), and West Driefontein

#### Cadbury Schweppes

(14,2 per cent).

A 7.8 per cent rise in profits after rax is reported by Cadbury Schweppes Australia for the year ended December 29, 1979. They reached \$A6.28m compared with \$A5.8m in the previous year. vious vear.

Sales were up from \$A186m to \$A196m, a rise of 4.9 per

Sir Rupert Clarke, the Chairman, points out that the profit figure does not include the benefit of the trading stock valuation adjustment previously available to Australian companies, but eliminated during the past year. To reflect this change, and in accordance with stock exchange requirements, it

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rized dealer in exchange in the Republic of South Africa, into any currency. The effective rate of exchange for conversion into any such currency

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Chrysler corporation chairman, Mr Lee Iacocca, says than 1980 first quarter losses could exceed the \$375.8m in losses which it had in last year's fourth

quarter. But Mr Iacocca also said that Chrysler hopes to keep its total

#### International

pite predictions by its outside consulting firm that the losses

could hit \$650m.

The Chrysler official stated that the car industry is cur-rently going through a "diffi-cult, difficult period." He said the car market is so bad at predraw down this year some of its \$1.5bn in federally guaranteed loans.

#### Macmillan Bloedel

Vancouver-based Macmillan Bloedel's president Mr Calvert Knudsen said capital expenditures are expected to average over \$300m (about £135m) in 1980 and in each of the three following years, up from 5280m last year.

a letter to shareholders he said the company plans to spend 590m on a designed forest sys-tem in British Columbia in the next five years which will use techniques of intensive forest management. The letter said the company requires at least 14 per cent return on investment, and many of its un-dertakings already exceed that.

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# Results season comes into full swing

Attention will be firmly focus-sed on BP this week in the hope that last year was as profitable for it as it was for Saell, which last week reported not income of over £3,000m.

The results season will be in full swing eisewhere with Midland Bank continuing the clear-ing banks season unveiling full year profits. Others to be pub-lished include De Beers Consolidated Mines and Cadbury

The latest increases in world interest rates will prompt special attention to the economic indicators published this week. On Monday the Depart-ment of Industry releases the wholesale price index for February and the Department of Trade issues retail sales figures

for January.
Tuesday will be of particular significance to the money markets with the Treasury report-ing on the central government horrowing requirements followed by the London clearing banks' monthly statement from the CLCB and the UK banks' eligible liabilities and special deposists for February from the Bank of England.

Finally on Friday the Central Statistical Office releases the index of industrial production for January and the Department of Employment publishes the retail price index

De Beers's full-year figures on Monday are expected to show little improvement over last year, which saw pre-tax profits of R1.150m. Earnings a share should work out at 220 cents and a 10 per cent increase is expected in the total divi-dend, making 75 cents.

Higher prices are thought to have offset some of the prob-lems encountered by the drop in diamond sales last year, but the extent cannot be fally estimated. Capital expenditure has also peaked but the benefit of this will not be seen until later

on this year. Although volume dropped last year it is expected to pick up again during the current year. However, the high cost of gold may well result in a further downturn later in the

Cadbury Schweppes's figures on Thursday are expected to show the benefits of recent rationalization with estimates of between £54m and £56m compared with £48m last time. An increase in the total dividend from 5.1 to 5.6p is also

Rationalization should have seen the group claw back the man of De Beers.

ground it lost earlier in the highly comperitive confection-ary market with the added benefit of its latest acquisition in the lucrative United States market. The drinks side continues ro fare well with further increases in volume, although the outlook for the current year

emains clouded.

Observers believe that with the latest cut in consumer spen-ding the group will be doing well in the current year to main tain profits at last year's level.

The highlight of the week

#### This week

undoubtedly be the full figures from BP. Analysts the unenviable job of judging profits are plumping for net income of around £1,600m, compared with last year's dismal £440m. The final uarter remains slightly clouded by the amount of crude oil the group was forced to import by the cut in production by most its leading suppliers.

Another question mark hangs over the accounting procedures used in order to replace stock in addition to the already complicated situation of stock pro-

But there can be little doubt of the benefit gained from the ever-increasing price of oil coupled with the increased production from its Forties field interests. At present this now accounts for 500,000 barrels a day. Other benefits come from its massive Alaskan investment where the price of oil has risen from \$8 to \$13 a barrel.

Mr H. F. Oppenheimer, chair-



The latest cut in production by most big producers, which has forced BP into the spot markets, has meant problems in forecasting for the current year. As a result forecasts for the current year will remain thin on the ground until the effects of the reductions can be more tully

Friday sees the results of the Midland Bank and there is much controversy in the City on how these rurn out. Analysts' esti-mates range widely from £290m at the lower end to as much as

Taking the most widely accepted estimate of around £310m, profits would be up by 34.2 per cent, something rather modest by comparison with the 49 per cent achieved by Lloyds and the 44 per cent increase made by Natwest. One reason for the confusion is Middand's sale of insurance brokers Bland Payne at the end of 1978, Midland could also amounce something about the sale of its Thomas Cook travellers cheque interests.

Other companies of interest this week to report include the livestock and vegetable oils group J Bibby. Market men expect profits on Tuesday to advance from £8.4m to aided by a strong performance by its agricultural side. The big attraction will be the divi-dend, which is expected to rise from 5.4p gross to 10p on the increased shares capital.

On Wednesday full year figures from Turner & Newall will show the effect of a stronger pound which should see profits slids from £39m to around E34m. As a result a



Mr Leslie Young, chairman of

16.7p gross is expected.

The problems at BSR we probably have accelerated by year with most people graying profits to collapse in £14.7m to around £3m to fit. The sound reproduction syst has been badly damaged by strength of sterling while consumer products side have been hit by the engine strike during its ing strike during its periods of September

October. Finally analysts in the sto sector will be auxious to the trading statement fr F W Woolworth, which t give some idea of how mu-lower consumer spending to over the Christmas period. slight increase in profits is ing projected with most go for around £55m to £5 against £52.5m.

TODAY.—Interims :-- J. Ja and Son, Manganese Bron Murray Glendevon Invest 1 Parker Knoll and Jose Stocks and Sons, Finals:- f nell Dresses, Merchants 7 Neil and Spencer and Ro Royce Motors. TOMORROW .-

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#### Preliminary Profit Announcement and Balance Sheet and Notice of Final Dividend on the Ordinary Shares

Subject to final audit, the abridged consolidated income statement of Anglo American Gold Investment Company Limited and its subsidiary companies for the year ended February 29 1980 and the abridged consolidated balance sheet at that date, are as follows. The investment income for the year is comparable with that for the previous fourteen month period with the exception of a third dividend of R1 244 900 received during that period from Gold Fields of South Africa Limited.

Issued share capital

Distributable reserves leneral reserve

Represented by:

Current assets

Ordinary shares .....

Preference shares
Non-distributable reserves ....

Unappropriated profit .....

Listed investments-market

Unlisted investmentsdirectors' valuation R14 571 000 [1979: R7 518 000) ......

(1979: R1 095 077 000) .....

Loans .....

Debtors Cash on fixed deposit and at

Current liabilities
Shareholders for dividend

Short term loan ..... Creditors .....

Net current assets (liabilities)

Equity earnings per share-

cents ..... Dividends per ordinary share-

Net asset value-cents per

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**Anglo American Gold** 

**Investment Company Limited** 

#### CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

Investment income	Twelve months ended 29.2.80 R000's 133 885 1 292	Fourteen months ended 28.2.79 R000's 74 374 602
Surplus on realisation of invest- ments Underwriting commission	51	1 540 233
	135 228	76 749
Deduct: Administration and other expenses Interest paid	1 803 707	1 419 1 741
Prospecting and mineral rights expenses	2 152	1 898
against loans and invest- ments		(215)
	4 662	4 843
Group profit hefore taxation South African normal taxation	130 566	71 906 425
Profit after taxation Preference dividends	130 566 2 625	71 481 1 737
Equity earnings	127 941	69 744
Deduct: Dividends No. 63—(interim) of 175 cents per share No. 64—(final) of 350 cents per share	38 416 76 832	21 952 32 928
Transfer to general reserve	115 248 12 900	54 880 14 000
	127 248	68 880
	693	864
Unappropriated profit from previous year	5 046	4 079
changes in exchange rates	46	103
	5 092	4 182
Unappropriated profit. February 29, 1980	5 785	5 046

\*Includes listed investments at market value and unlisted investments at directors' valuation.

Final dividend No. 64 or 350 cents per ordinary share rinal dividend No. 64 or 350 cents per ordinary sums (1979: 150 cents) for the year ended February 29, 1980 has been declared payable to shareholders registered in the books of the company at the close of business on March 28, 1980 and to persons presenting coupon No. 64 marked 'South Africa' detached from share warrants to

The ordinary share transfer registers and registers of members will be closed from March 29 to April 11, 1980, both days inclusive, and warrants will be posted from the Johannesburg and United Kingdom offices of the transfer secretaries on or about May 1 1980. Registered share-holders baid from the United Kingdom will receive the United Kingdom currency equivalent on April 22 1980 of the rand value of their dividends (less appropriate taxes). Any such shareholders may, however, elect to be paid in South African currency, provided that the request is received at the offices of the company's transfer secretaries on or before March 28 1980.

The effective rate of non-residential shareholders' tax is 15 per cent.

The effective rate of nonresidential state of its 15 per cent.

The dividend is payable subject to conditions which can be inspected at the head and London offices of the company and at the offices of the company's transfer secretaries. Consolidated Share Registrars Limited, 62

will be that prevailing at the time the proceeds of the dividends are deposited with the authorized dealer in exchange. It is anticipated that the forty-third annual report of company in respect of the year ended February 29 1980 will be despatched to members on or about April 24 1980.

**Read** office: 44 Main Strect Johannesburg

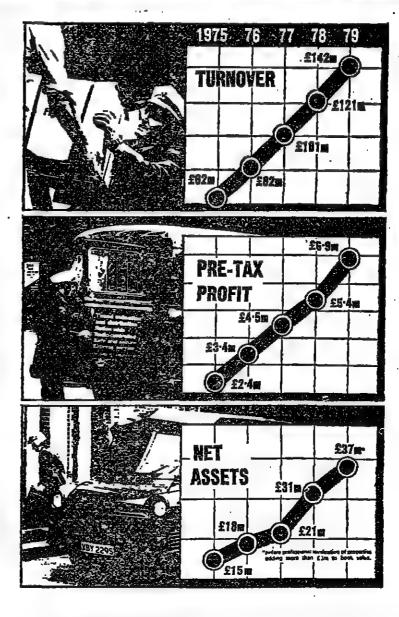
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Secretaries nor H. J. E. Stanley Companies Secretary Loudon Office: 40 Holborn Viaduct ECIP 1AT

By order of the board

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• I remain confident of the prospect of continued progress provided by the broadening base of our operations both at home and overseas."

> —MR PETER SMITH IN HIS STATEMENT AS CHAIRMAN OF SECURICOR GROUP LTD. AND SECURITY SERVICES LTD.

# The John Lewis Partnership

department stores and Waitrose supermarkets

Estimated results for year ended 26th January 1980 Sales rose by 21% to £646 million.

Department store sales increased by 19% to £371 million and sales in Waitrose supermarkets by 25% to £263 million.

Profit after interest was £41 million, slightly higher than last year's record figure; the increase over two years was £12 million (41%).

Profit Sharing. All the equity capital of

John Lewis Partnership Limited is held in trust for the benefit of the workers in the business. The profits remaining after taxation, preference dividends, pensions. and allocations to reserves are distributed yearly among the workers as Partnership Bonus in proportion to their pay. This year's rate of distribution will be 20% (1979 24%).

John Lewis Partnership Limited 1979:80 1978/79 1977/78 consolidated results £ million £ million Sales (including VAT) 646.2 532.7 436.8 Profit after interest 41.0 40.0 29.1 Profit after tax, pensions funds contributions and preference dividends 31.8 21.1 Partnership Bonus 14.6 13.8 8.8 21.5 18.0 12.3

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#### FINANCIAL NEWS

# The obstacles facing British mine development

Last week's ruminations in maze. Different mineral rights this column about the supply of on the same land may belong strategic minerals in the United to different people, and in some Kingdom raised by implication cases no beneficiary may be the question of how much min- found at all. ing there is in this country. The matter is also interesting because it goes to the heart of a number of major debates about investment, the environment, and relations between govern-

ing is not important overall. though it is more diverse than one might think. For a start, projects tend to be small by the standards of an industry geared to mammoth international inrestment. Amax's Hemerdon tungsten and tin deposit near

Plymouth might cost about \$50m or \$60m to develop.

Second, the possibilities are restricted by geology. Some velocible minerals such as manganese or chrome are probably geologically impossible. It is sigmining measured by weight is said and gravel, followed by limestone and dolomite. In 1978, the last year for which figures are available, production of these was 107,000 tonnes and 84,000 tonnes respectively.

This is not to say that other minerals do not exist. As the Wheal Jane episode demonstra-ted, Cornish rin is plentiful and profitable given good manage-ment North Wales has extensive low-grade copper deposits, the Pennines and Lake District have reserves of fluorspar, uranium, and various metals, while exploration in Scotland for uranium looks promising even if lead and zinc have proved dis-appointing Charter is struggling with Cleveland Potash. But here the difficulties grise.

Most of these areas are the few bits of the country not concreted over As Rio Tinto-Zinc dis-covered in Wales, and the Brio-ish Steel Corporation in the east Midlands, the environmental lobby is powerful. Its power is not just political, but is also built into the whole planning apparatus and includes the con and obtaining permission.

Even before a company

weaves its way through these obstacles however, it needs to discover who owns the land and the mineral rights. With gold and cool, the beneficiery is clear one is the Grown and the other the National Coal Board. Bur castories of biscure rights and privileges have left, a legal

Assuming that a compliant owner and cooperative local authority are found, the espiring developer then needs money. On this count he faces two disincentives. By compariment and industry. Son with many other countries, If roal is excluded, a first the nearest being Ireland, the impression is that British mintax position can be unfavourable. Three years ago the Inland Revenue relaxed the rules so that some exploration and planning expenses could be offset

egainst tax. But the Treasury has refused to introduce depletion allow-ances on the grounds that levying corporation tax in different ways could set undesirable pre-cedents. Since mines in Britain are likely to be small and fairly short lived, the absence of depletion allowances can lower

the return on investment.

The likely low return is a frequent complaint. But tax is not the only reason. After so many years of exploitation and

#### Mining

intensive exploration most been exhausted. On the whole, prices are not yet sufficiently high to the belance, especially if set against the social costs of damage to the environment of the social costs of damage to the environment. ment. At the moment voters appear: to put a higher grice on the countryside than on re-ducing imports or creating jobs.

All these factors mean that institutional investment for mining projects can be hard to find. Mr. Robert Sprinkel's attempt to take personal control of Wheal Jane was largely frustrated by the lack of City money. His optimistic view of the mine's prospects now seems

By contrast private investors showed more enrichistant. Unfortunately, a mine probably needs more than individuals can find. Here the mining finance houses come inthe critics say, they do not come in. Other than Cleveland Potash. Wheai Jane, and Amey Road stone, the British mining activi

Michael Prest

#### Business appointments

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man with Mr D. Branstock.

Mr E. B. McGrath has been appointed managing director.

Mr A. D. Shanagher, finance
director of Wilkinson Matin has
assumed operational responsibility
for the group's Wilkinson Sword,
Eddy Matrix and Scripto businesses,
in North America.

Mr Eric Morley, who is relinquishing his position as bonorary managing director of the Outward Bound Trust, has been elected by the council to a three-year retin-as president. Sir Philip Rogert is:

Mr F. Mariey, formerly com-mercial director of the Bristol Engine Group of Rolls-Royce, has been appointed as an executive director of The Talber Group. Mr

mg Group.

Mr A. G. Imlah was made group

# Gold Fields

Ordinary Share Warrants To Bearer

#### Interim Dividend

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 7.5p per share payable on 30 April 1980 to holders of Ordinary shares registered in the books of the Company at the close of business on 21 March 1980 and to holders of Coupon No. 127 detached from Ordinary share warrants to bearer

Holders of Ordinary share warrants to bearer are notified that Coupon No. 127 will be paid:

in London al:

Midland Bank Limited. New Issue Department, Mariner House, Pepys Street, London EC3N 4DA

Lloyds Bank International (France) Limited, 43 Boulevard des Capucines, 75061 Paris, Cedex 02, France Andrews Andrews Andrews

Union Bank of Switzerland, 8021 Zurich, 45 Bahnhofstrasse

on 30 April 1980 or the expiration of six clear days after lodgment thereof, whichever is the later.

Consolidated Gold Fields Limited 49 Moorgate, London EC2R 6BQ.

# Gloomy reading in the textiles sector

The troubled textiles sector comes in for review from Mr Christopher Burbridge at Phillips & Drew and Mr Peter Coombs at W. Greenwell. Phillips & Drew warn that the preserving in partile still has through much before the end recession in textiles still has

some way to run. There are signs that the deterioration in trading condi-tions in many parts of the indus-try speeded up in the second half of 1979. Textile import volume in the first nine months rose by about 11 per cent and clothing imports by over 20 per

increase in total export volume of a mere 2 per cent.
The uncertainty over consumer spending is causing a big de-stocking recession although many companies such as Carrington Viyella, Tootal and Illingworth Morris have taken the knife to their opera-

cent. This compared with an

Against this kind of background Phillips & Drew expect the preliminary profit figures due over the next couple of months to make gloomy read-

Not surprisingly, a cautious approach to the sector is recommended, concentrating on those groups with strong finances and or low value-added end of the

national in the woollens sector, which has a strong ner cash position and whose shares have

not escape a drop in profits; Phillips & Drew forecast \$15m pretax for the year to March 1980 compared with £16.3m in

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Nortingham Manufacturingalso with healthy cash resources
—and Vantona also find relative favour with Phillips &

# **Brokers' views**

These include Dawson Inter- Drew, At Coats Patons', which stands on a well below average prospective multiple. Phillips & Drew reckon the pessimism has underperformed the market been overdone. The group's much less than the sector as small exposure to the worst hit in 1979 or early 1980 and the a whole. But even Dawson will parts of the industry should clearing banks come in for some

1980 could show some improve-

Peter Coombs at W. Greenwell takes a similarly gloomy view of short-term prospects. But with the pressures on the sector likely to ease in the second half of 1980, he feels that the relative decline in the coats Paton and Nottingham Manufacturing are rated buys. Carrington. Viyella also has speculative attractions, although buyers should be prepared for a rough ride, especially in the first half of 1980. Courtailds

and Tootal both rate as holds. In the financial sector-the

profits to shout one fifth and Keith Brown, also at W. Green-

reflecting the expected fall in interest rates, salary increases. to staff which could be 15-20 per cent and fears of an ex-

cess profits tax. The two clearers still to report, Barclays and Midlands, are expected to turn in increases of 93 per cent to £506m before tax and 80 per cent to £313m pretax respectively. But this is unlikely to alter market senti-

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bearish comments from Mit a hard look at three comments well. He argues that once all found two wanting. Analyst the banks have gone ex-division of the banks have gone ex-division. The insurance sector and the banks have gone ex-division. The peter Martin recomments selling both Royal Insurance and Commercial Union.

So far this year the FTA Bank Index has underperformed the market by more than a tenth, reflecting the expected fall in 1980 profits to £105m pretax.

after the small drop in profits" recommended form recovery include Acrow, where Fielding, Newson-Smith believe that fine management, highquality products and modernized production facilities will. ensure good recovery prospecta;

for the shares on a two to three.

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# Gold Fields Interim Results

# "Record half-yearly earnings up 80% from a year ago"

#### HALF-YEARLY COMMENTARY

Consolidated Gold Fields has achieved record haif-year earnings, up 80% from a year ago. This growth in profits has strengthened our balance sheet further and enables us to declare a considerable increase in the interim

All parts of the business contributed to the improvement. The most notable feature was the sustained increase in the price of gold. From \$283 per ounce at the beginning of July the price rose to \$524 at the end of December. The gold market has subsequently experienced wide fluctuations, averaging \$670 in the first two months of 1980 compared with an average price of \$362 during the first half-year. The impact of this increase on our earnings for the full year will be substantial.

Our construction materials business in the UK and the USA showed further improvement, with a 23% increase in profit before interest and tax. The strong management in Amey Roadstone has built an impressive record of consistent profit growth.

Manufacturing and commercial activities also showed improvement. Though there were signs of recession in the USA and the dollar was weak, Azcon has further increased its contribution to profits. We plan to develop a larger manufacturing business in the USA, concentrating particularly on drill rigs and related exploration equipment, and the recent agreement to purchase Skytop-Brewster is part of that strategy. Manufacturing in the UK is also a high profit area and Alumasc's specialist casting business again gave us excellent

Finally, the mining activities of the Gold Fields Group were particularly successful. As well as gold mining in South Africa, we have interests in a number of important fields: - tin and copper in Australia, where Renison earned record profits and Mount Lyell also

- precious metals in North America, where start-up losses were reduced and worthwhile progress was made

- base metals and silver in South Africa, where Black Mountain was brought to production ahead of schedule and below

In addition, we sold our interest in Beliambi, the Australian coal producer, at a good profit and substantially eliminated other loss-making activities elsewhere.

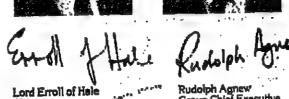
Exploration is our life blood and it is likely that two areas in which we are exploring, one in Papua-New Guinea for gold and one in Texas for silver, will be of major long-term

Current operations are thus in good shape and prospects for the future are excellent. We anticipate further growth in all of

our main lines of activity.

Against this background, the Directors have decided to pay an interim dividend of 7.5p. This compares with a 3.5p Interim dividend a year ago, and total dividends of 13.5p during the last financial year. This substantial increase in the interim dividend is also designed to improve the balance with the final dividend.





#### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

The Deelkraal mine in South Africa (CGF beneficial Interest 49%) completed trial milling for gold in December 1979 and was officially opened on 22 February 1980. The decision to proceed was taken in February 1974 when gold was \$150 per ounce. The project has cost £77 million to 31 December 1979.

Mining at Ortiz, New Mexico in the USA began in December 1979 and spraying of leach solution commenced at the end of February. This small open pit gold mine (beneficial interest 100%) is the first application of heap leaching techniques within the Group. The project cost so far is £6 million.

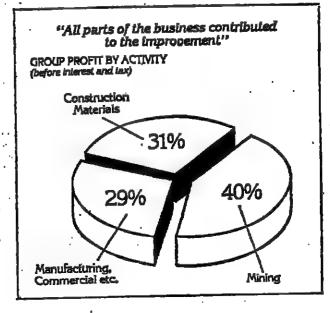
Amey Roadstone Corporation agreed terms for two acquisitions in February, one in the western USA and one in Ireland. These complement existing operations, Their combined cost of £12 million may be compared with total planned capital spending by ARC this year of £46 million.

The agreement in principle to purchase Skytop-Brewster, a leading manufacturer of drill rigs in the USA, for £30 million was announced in January. A definitive contract is expected to be signed in March.

On 12 February it was announced that De Beers and Anglo American Corporation had, directly or through affiliates, purchased shares in Consolidated Gold Fields and would each hold approximately 121/2% of the equity of the company. It was stressed that these purchasers were "not seeking to change the control or the management of Consolidated Gold Fields".

The second secon	Half-year to 31,12,79 £ million	Half-year to 31,12.78. Emillion	Year to 30.6.79 amilion
Profit before interest and tax	80.2	53.5	113.8
Profit before tax	:71:0 · ·	:45.0L	96.4
Profit after tax	44.9	25.1	. 63.8
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ordinary share			
basis	25.9	14.5	38.1
:	15.5	•	24.4

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	Rate of Ann	uel Growth
	Over last 12 months per cent.	Over last 5 years per cent
Profit before interest and tax	<b>50</b>	18
Earnings per share	79	20
Dividends per share	114	22
Funds employed	3	8



#### INTERIM DIVIDEND

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Dividend warrants will be posted to registered shareholders on 29 April 1980.

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#### FINANCIAL NEWS

#### Dry cargo market hit by slower activity

A slowing of activity in the dry cargo sector and a little more life displayed in tanker charters about sums up the performance of the freight markets over the last seven days. The difference in fortunes between the two markets remains wide with the former retaining its

the two markets remains wide with the former retaining its strength and the latter struggling yet again to climb from the depths of depression.

However, while evidence of the firm tone in dry cargo trading was still visible, the pace of business slowed. As ever, demand for North American grain was the driving force. Through the week several vessels were booked for both eastern and western destinations and rates remained steady. For vessels over 40,000 tons the common rate worldscale was 524 while \$26.75 was reported paid for a 20,000 tonner. On the transatlantic front, a vessel of transatlantic front, a vessel of 72,000 tons taken for a trip from the US Gulf to Holland secured \$15 for prompt loading while for later in March charterers were quoting \$14.50 for similar tonnage on the same

routes.

An unconfirmed report suggested that a 55,000 tonner which had been booked for a trip to the UK obtained \$17 which is about one dollar above the highest level paid in recent

For once, there were few reports of any Soviet activity during the week. In connexion

#### Freight

with grain and Russia, however. was the announcement from the United States department of agriculture that it would con-tinue to make purchases of grain, up to the equivalent volume cancelled under the sales ban. This grain would be used in overseas aid pro-grammes and also to form a major part of a possible food reserve being proposed by the USDA.

Since early January some Since early joinal; 30 and 33 million tonnes of grain has been bought for the reserve. China's fixing activity was on a lower pitch but included in the tonnage they raised was a 30,000 tonner for grain from the United States northern rungs at 538, and vessels of 15,000 and 30,000 tonnes at \$6,700 and \$9,600 a day respectively. In the period markets the mineral importcomport organization of Rumania dominated the early part of the week by taking six vessely between 18,000 and 57,000 tons at rates from \$7,100 to \$19,500

a day.

After several weeks of rumours that some tankers would be returned to lay-up. the current depression now seems to have bitten deep enough to make it a fact. London's prokers were indicating that around four vices had been laid up in the Gulf pending improvements in rates.

The prospects for such are, to say the least, dull. With some 13, vices waiting for cargoes in the Guif, it is going to take a substantial rise in demand to absorb this capacity and give rates some chance of rising. Judging by fixtures in the last few days, the average rate for a vicc now stands at worldscale 31 on full steaming and worldscale 29 on slow

#### David Robinson

More share prices

The following will be added to the London and Regional Share Price List tomorrow and will be published daily in Business News.

Commercial & Industrial: Costain (Deferred Shares).

### Bank Base Rates

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Capitalisation Station

7,240 850

2,236 1,650

2.601 3.338

4.167 2.075

Company

Airsprung Group Armitage & Rhodes Bardon Hill

County Cars Pref Deborah Ord Frank Horsell Frederick Parker

George Blair Jackson Group James Burrough Robert Jenkins

Torday Limited Twinlock Ord Twinlock 12', ULS

\*Accounts prepared under provision of SSAP15.

Unilock Holdings Walter Alexander W. S. Yeates

#### Wall Street

New York, March 7.—The stock market was unable to sustain several attempts to improve today after a lower opening and finished around its worst level of the day. Declining issues led advances by 1.223 to 360, with 338 issues holding unchanged. The average price per share lost 50 cents.

The Dow Jones industrial aver-age, which made one recovery try

during the morning and a second at mid-afternoon, closed at \$20.56,
at mid-afternoon, closed at \$20.56, down 7.51. Volume rose to
down 7.51. Volume rose to 50,950,000 shares from the 49,610,000 traded yesterday.
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Gold lower
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terday's close of \$600.50. March.
\$609.00; May, \$615.00; June, \$625.00- \$628.00; App. \$648.50; Oct. \$672.00;
Dec. \$695.50; Feb. \$719.00; April. \$742.50; June, \$765.00; Aug, \$791.00;
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78 40c, May, 78.75c-79.25c; July, 79.00c-79 50c.
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1 60 cents in most positions. March. 135,00c: May, 136 40c; July, 137,00c:
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Ger. 24.45c; Dec. 24.75-80c; Jan. 24.79-95c; March, 25.50c; May, 25.50-
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March, \$171 00-12; May, \$188.30-81;
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# Credit squeeze knocks issues

A severe rightening of United States credit conditions last bonds into floating rate notes week clobbered most European bond markets but left many deposit. international dollar issues with gains, urites A. P. Dou-Jones.

By and large, European market participants seemed to be impressed by the willingness of the United States authorities to risk a credit crunch as a price of bringing inflation under control. And the probability of tight money being followed up by further United States antiinflation measures was also reassuring to dollar bond

Some long-dated dollar bond prices advanced by three to five points over the week in spite of some late profit-taking as United States banks posted another round of prime-rate increases on Friday. However, short-dated issues generally finished the week with small losses because of the surge in short-term interest rates.

However, some market specialists are recommending that investors take profits or cut their losses on any further advance in bond prices, partilong-dated, fixed-rate

"We are definitely not giving up hope for the future of the straight bond market. However, in view of the damage done recently to bond prices we have to consider alternatives to cut down the right of capital loss. down the risk of capital loss. This leads to the conclusion that bond investors will have to balance their portfolios with a greater weight of floating-rate

Euromarkets

instruments," the London invest-ment banking subsidiary of

Throughout the long slide in fixed rate bond prices over the past two years, prices of floating-rate notes have generally remained fairly close to par because their coupón rate rather than the market price makes the adjustment to higher makes the adjustment to higher

cularly among issues with long maturities. In its bond market comment last week, Chase Manhattan, said that active traders should use any rally to switch

rise in interest rates imparted a strong lift to the dollar despite estimated sales of dollars by central banks of up to \$50n over the week.

Inevitably, European interest rates were forced higher and panic spread in the Swiss and German bond markets,

In Switzerland, a 100m Swiss franc, 10-year world bank issue, which was floated late last mouth a 99 bearing 5.75 per cent to yield 5.89 per cent, fell to 93.5 on Friday to yield 6.66 per cent. Swiss dealers said that price declines over the week generally ranged between two and five points.

However, at a press conference in Zurich, Rainer Gut, a general manager of Credit Suisse, said that Swiss banks will ration further offerings in effort to stabilize the market.

In West Germany, prices internationally distributed of internacionally distributed bonds denominated in Deutsche-marks declined by three to four marks declined by three to four points, bringing losses so far this year to between 8.0 and 10 per cent. Many German bond traders widened the spread between their bids and offers to one point to avoid taking positions. During the worst of the recent slide in international dollar bond prices, dealers generally kept their dealing margins to a half point.

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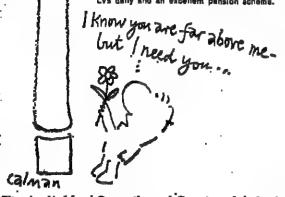
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and a discotheque which will be insulated against poise. Negotiations are under way some big multiple retailers for the department store and large store units, the first of which is expected to be ready for shop fitting in the autumn of 1981.

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In Swindon, Linfood Ltd. has been nominated as the part of the Trafalgar House developer for the shopping element of the district centre The scheme, which adjoins planned for the Swindon Western Expansion Area. In all, five schemes were submitted for the site.

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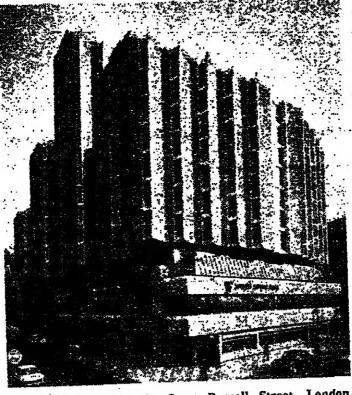
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Carrefour, a subsidiary of the Linfood Group, will take the 70,000 sq ft "anchor" store in the scheme, which will he Linfood's first District Centre. There will be a further retail area of some 30,000 sq ft and other pro-posed uses include a public house or restaurant and a number of service trades.

It is expected that a start on the site will be made in October and the whole scheme is planned to open

In London, the Guardian Royal Exchange Group is to redevelop a site at 9/12 King Street, E.C.2. Demolition of the existing building is to begin shortly and the new building is due to be completed at the end of next

It will be the first new building in King Street for a number of years. Architects for the scheme are Douglas Marriott Worby and Robinson, and the design provides for about 19,000 sq ft of airconditioned banking hall and is Y. J. Lovell Construction, and letting agents.



The YMCA building in Great Russell Street, London, where the last surplus office space has been let.

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Designed by Knapton, Deane and Thompson, the building will have some 24,000 sq it on ground and two upper floors, with 48 parking spaces in the basement. Letting is through Smith Melzack and Co.

A new office block is also planned for Richmond, Surrey, where European Ferries has acquired a site at 18/20, Kew Road, from a private consortium.

The site is adjacent to M3. There is detailed plan- Systems, computer conning permission and the sultants, at a rent of ning permission and the design by Dry Hastwell Butlin and Partners is for a building with 26,000 sq ft net on lower ground, ground and three upper floors. Work is due to begin shortly for completion in the late summer of

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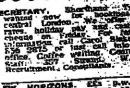
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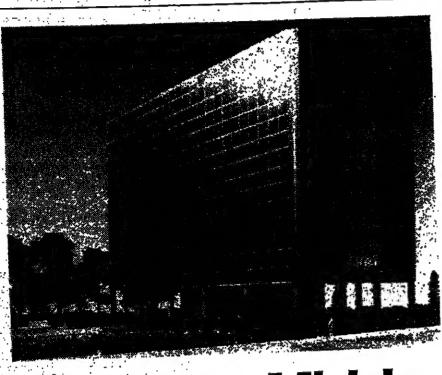


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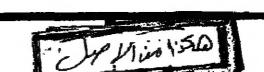
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in Fox, starting tonight (see below)

● There is a distinctly nuclear flavour, if that is the right word, about this evening's choice of television programmes, on all three channels. Panorama (BBC 1, 8.10) asks what will happen. if the bomb drops, helped by a local authority emergency team and access to secret government headquarters. Reporter Jeremy Paxman says that with more than 200 Soviet missiles aimed at Britain, we have possibly more targets per square mile than any country in the world—yet we have done very little planning for defence against nuclear attack. In Switzerland, every new home has a fallout shelter; in Britain there are hardly any. So what are our chances of survival if someone presses the button?

Meanwhile Newsnight (BBC 2, 10.45) looks at the problem of the bomb from another angle: the case of a man who worked at the secret weapons establishment at Aldermaston. Ken Cummins died of cancer last August and there are claims by his family and his union that his death was the result of plutonium contamination during his work at Aldermaston. Sixty-seven other workers at the establishment are claiming compensation other workers at the estatistant are claiming the matters of for contamination. Is is safe to work there? And yet another element in the nuclear chain is investigated by World in Action (ITV, 8.30). Britain is importing thousands of tons of uranium—known as "yellowcake"—from Namibia in defiance of United Nations sanctions aimed at ending South Africa's illegal occupation of the territory, formerly known as South West Africa. The World in Action team follows the secret shipments and airs the controversy surrounding them.

And now, as they say, for something completely different. Fox (FTV, 9.00) is a new drama series set and entirely filmed in South London. Written by Treyor Preston and directed by in South London. Written by Trevor Preston and directed by Jim Goddard—the team that brought you the marvellous Tom Bell crime story Out—Fox is the tale of a family of that name led by 70-year-old "King Billy" (Peter Vaughan taking up "character" parts). Billy has five sons: Vin, a scaffolding contractor; Ray, a club manager; Joey, cab driver; Phil, a mature student of moral philosophy; and Kenny, a professional boxer. Then there are their wives, girl friends, children and so on—a cast of ... well, hundreds anyway. The 13 episode will expose the strains of family relationships and the stresses of living in an ever more crowded and changing metropolis. There's an almost Dickensian air about it. Anyway, the first episode finds the family preparing to celebrate Billy's seventieth episode finds the family preparing to celebrate Billy's seventieth birthday, which is a good way of introducing all the main characters to their prospective audience.

There was a fierce debate a year or two ago when changes in the law made it possible for adopted children to trace their natural mothers. Who Am I, I Need to Know (Radio 4, 11.05 am) tells of one person's search. Kathy is outwardly settled, aged 36, married and the mother of three children. But she was adopted as a newborn baby and desperately wants to see her real mother. The first contact was made on January 31—will it lead to a meeting?

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# Broadcasting Guide

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#### TELEVISION

4.20 Touché Turtle : Cartoon series

4.40 Heyyy, It's the King : Cartoon

eter David Bairstow, rugger star Fran Cotton and footballer John

Toshack. 7,20 Blake's Seven : The Liberator

encounters a strange artificial planet called Ultraworld. It looks

harmless enough, but . . . . 8.10 Panorama: If the Bomb Drops—(see Personal Choice). 9.00 News with Richard Baker. 9.25 The Monday Film: Fuzz

(1972). Evan Hunter gets the cred-it for a screenplay based on a

novel by his alter ego, Ed McBain, about the now famous 87th Pre-

5.00 John Craven's Newsround

5.55 Nationwide.

BBC 1

6.40 am Open University: Tutor Marked Assignments; 7.05 Wealth in Britain. Closedown at 7.55. 4.25 Jackanory: Jenny Agutter hegins reading the Mill House by Marjone-Ann Watts. nu Britain. Closenown at 7.33.
9.00 For Schools, Colleges: A
Good Job with Prospects (r); 9.30
Biology (r); 9.52 Communicate I
(Comedy writing); 10.15 Music
Time (Lieutenant Kije); 10.38
Maths Topics (r); 11.00 Merry-Go

Round (r). 11.25 You and Me: 12345 (r). 11.40 For Schools. Colleges: Painting (r). Closedown at 12.05.
12.45 pm News.
1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Medal

chasers Jim Fox and Danny Nightingale, members of the Bripentathlon team that got the Gold at the Montreal Olympics. open a "Trim Track" at Pebble open a "Trim Track" at People Mill to keep the tellypersons in good shape. 1.45 How Do You Do? Rhymes,

games and a story.(r).
2.01 For Schools, Colleges: Words
and Pictures (r); 2.18 Out of the
Past (r); 2.40 Going to Work (r). Closedown at 3.00.
Sing School: presented by Libby Murray and Derek Griffiths The story is Mr McFian and Madam Splatt by Kate Buchanan.

7.30 Crystals. Closedown at 7.55.

10.05 It Figures: Statistics. Last of

10.05 It Figures: Statistics. Last of 10 programmes in which Jimmy Young explains everyday maths. 10.30 The Handicapped Family: The services provided by the Crossroads Care Artendant

11.00 Play School : Same as BBC 1. at 3.55. Closedown at 11.25.

2.15 Let's Go . . . with some more hobbies. Brian Rix with advice for the mentally handicapped,

2.30 Roads to Conflict: Bringing the Conflict between Arabs and

3.00 That's the Way the Money Goes: All you need to know about

(ugly modern phrase) consumer watchdogs.

3.30 Delia Smith's Cookery Course:

Smoked mackerel pate, marinated

9.30 am For Schools: My World (Lines and Rows); 9.47 Finding Out (Germany); 10.05 How We Used to Live (Victorians and their dead); 10.28 Starting Out (Marriage); 10.45 The Living Body (Human Reproduction); 11.91 Documentary Re-run (The Oule that Died); 11.22 Picture Bux (Claudius, Boy of Ancient Rome);

12.16 pm Rainbow: Safety in the Street. Not unnaturally, the story is called The Lollipop Lady.

12.30 Numbers at Work. All about angles. (repeat from Sunday).

1.30 About Britain: The Exmoor

pony, one of the oldest breeds of horse in the world, now threatened

1.00 News with Peter Sissons.

11.39 Making a Living. 12.00 We'll Tell You a Story.

Israelis up to date (r).

THAMES

BBC 2

kipper fillets and smoked fish pie. (Repeat from Friday). 4.00 Modern Language Teaching: Pimlico School, London (r). Close-6.40 am Open University: Muliplexing. 7.05 Pelican Crossing.

down at 4.25.
4.50 Open University: Prob-lems of Practice. 5.15 Bath: 18th Century. 5.40 Flash Gordon : Buster Crabbe

in episode 9 of the classic cinema serial.\* 6.00 James Burke's Connections: Little Jack Horner meets Bounie Prince Charlie and The Sound of Music goes back to the repeating telegraph. Well, just fancy that 6.50 Training Dogs the Woodhouse Wi 7: Pupples.
7.15 Newl with subdiles for the hard of hearing. 7.30 Rock Goes to College: April

Wine, a group from Montreal, in concert at Reading University. 8.15 Marti Caine: With guesta Linda Lewis and cellist Julian Lloyd Webber.

9.00 Yes Minister: The best thing (r).

grill tournedos.

2.30 Monday Matinee: Bachelor of Hearts (1958). Leslie Bricusse and Frederic Raphael wrote the screen-play for this unexceptionable romantic comedy set in Cambridge University. Bardy Kruger, Sylvia Syms, Ronald Lewis, Bardara Steele, John Richardson.

4.15 Clapperboard: Chris Kelley looks at the making of the film SOS Titonic and talks to a survivor about what really happened that

night in 1912.
4.45 Jukes of Piccadilly: The Dulverton Green, Episode 1. A prison break and a wedding form the background for this last two-parter in the current series. With Nigel

Hawthorne, Manning Wilson, Angharad Rees and James Cossins.

tive hero. Yul Brynner as villain who seems intent on wiping out the city's officials, and Racquel Welch as lady cop. I always thought McBain's fuzz were New Yorkers, whereas this team seems to be from Boston. Still, I'm only a Limey.

cinct cops. Burt Reynolds as detec-

Radio 4

5.10 Farming.

6.30 Today.

9.00 News.

10.00 News-

11.00 News.

1.00 News.

6.00 am News Briefing.

8.35 The Week on 4. 8.45 Patrick Moore

9.05 Richard Baker.

10.05 Money Box.

10.30 Daily Service.

11.50 Poetry Please I 12.00 News.

1.40 The Archers. 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

12.55 Weather.

5.55 Weather.

7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers.

12.02 pm You and Yours. 12.27 Brain of Britain 1980.†

10.45 Serial: Wings Over Wales

5.05 Blue Peter : With Mothering Sunday in mind, the team demon-10.50 Film 80: Barry Norman looks at a star studded new movie about the sinking of the Titanic and talks strate how to make everlasting vioto Stanley Kramer, director of The Runner Stumbles, which marks the return to feature films after nine years of Dick Van Dyke. 5.35 Paddington: Animated ver-sion of the famous bear (r). 5.40 News with Richard Baker. 11.25 Education Matters: Adam 6.50 A Question of Sport : Guests are athlete Sonia Lannaman, crack-

Hopkins talks to Corinne Hutt about the standard of nursery education and the needs of the under-11.50 News and weather.

Regions REC 1 WARRATIONS: Wales: 1.45 pm Pin Pala 4.40 isls and the Farm on the HII. 5.55 Wales Today. 6.50 Heddiw. 71.50 News and Westher Close Scot-land: 11.00 am For Schools 2.159 pm Il's a Great Life. 12.40 The Scotland News. 5.35 Reporting Scotland, 11.50 News and Westher Scotland, 11.50 News and 11.5

to happen to sitcom for years. Hacker decides there are too many civil servants. Sir Humphrey proves to be one too many for his minister. Stars Paul Eddington and

Nigel Hawthorne. 9.30 Horizon: Encounter with Jupi-ter. Film from alien worlds which makes science fiction come true. though not perhaps in the way we expected. Martin Jarvis narrates a film based on the findings of the two American spacecraft Voyagers 1 and 2, their mission—to bodly gu where no man. . . . 10.20 Russian-Language and

People: Part 9. 10.45 Newsnight: Including a report on safety at Aldermaston, the secret nuclear weapons estab-lishment (see Personal Choice). 11.30 Arena: Mentioned in Des-patches. The story of war photo-

grapher Tim Page (r). 12.05 Closedown: John Rye reads Philip Larkin's An Arundel Tomb Hall, Suffolk. Also, how to pan Tony Bastable. 5.45 News.

5.45 News.
6.90 Thames News.
6.35 Crossroads; Distressing news for Marian Owen; David Hunter and Barbara Brady feel the need to justify themselves.
7.00 The Kenny Everett Video Show. 7.30 Corenation Street: Deirdre

8.00 Rushton's Illustrated. 8.39 World in action: Follow the Yellowcake Road (see Personal .00 Fox : New drama series (see Personal Choice).

10.00 News. 10.30 The Monday Film : The Mercenaries (1968). Jack carditi's blood, guts and romance tale of the Belgian Congo during the civil war. Rod Taylor, Yvette Mimieux and, perhaps surprisingly, Kenneth More. 12.20 am Close: Anna Ford reads Wordsworth's Lines Written in Early Spring. RADIO

Earth: Listening and Reading II; Speak; Movement and Drama II. 5.50 Regional news, weather. 11.00 Study on 4: World Powers in the Twentieth Century (21). 11.30-12.10 am Open University: Why Fourier? Aural Training (2).

Radio 3 6.55 am Weather. 7.05 Records: Handel, Mancini, Schubert, Mendelssohn. 7.00 News. 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Dovies, Bax, Bliss.

11.05 Who Am I? I Need to Know. 9.00 News. 9.05 At the Court of Gustav III. 9.45 Now and Then: Maconchy, Dickinson, Brahms, Schumann.†
10.50 The Bach Family.†
11.45 BBC Scottish SO: Enesco, Shostakovich.†

1.00 pm News. BBC Lunchame Concert: 2.10 Organ: Mozart, Lewis, Gigout, Alain.+ .50 Matinee Musicale.† 3.50 New Records: Debussy, Rod-

3.00 News. 3.02 Listen With Mother. 3.15 Play: Vivien the Blockbuster. 4.45 Short Story. 5.00 PM News Magazine. 4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†
7.00 Opera: Die Soldaten, by Bernd Alois Zimmermann, Act 1.† 8.15 Talk: The Rise and Fall of the 7.20 Science Now. 7.45 Play: Day Return, by Philippe

9.45 The Vision of Piers the Ploughman (4).†
10.15 Piano: Monnet.† 9.00 Three Women Gardeners, Margery Fish. 9.30 Kaleidoscope. 10.00 News. 10.30 News Quiz.† 10.50 Records: Hassler, Haydn.+ 11.00 A Book at Bedtime. 11.15 Financial World Tomight. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 11.25 Jazz in Britain.† 11.55-12.00 News.

VHF 6.00-7.00 am Open University: Poli-tics of Caricature; Theories of Art: Schiller; The Influence of Corelli. 6.20-7.00 pm Open University: A Rindu Testimony; Studying Litera-

VHF
6.50 am Regional news, weather.
7.50 Regional news, weather.
9.35-10.30 Schools: Jackie Stawart
Road Show; Radio Thin King;
Notice Board I; Time to Move.
10.45-12.00 Schools: Da sind wir
wieder! Singing Together; Springboard; Theatre Workshop.
12.55 Regional news, weather.
2.00-3.00 pm Schools: Exploration Radio 2 5.00 am News Summary, weather. 5.03 Ray Moore.† 7.32 Terry Wogan.† 10.03 Jimmy Young.†

12.03 pm David Hamilton.† 2.03 Steve Jones.† 4.03 Much More Music.† 5.00 News. 5.05 Soners' Walk. 5.20 Much More Music + 6.03 Derek Hobson + 8.02 The Organist Entertains. 7 8.30 Folk '80.† 9.02 Humphrey Lyttel-ton.† 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.02 Mon-day Movie Quiz. 10.30 Star Sound. 11.02 Brian Matthew. 2.02 am-5.00 You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

5.00 am As Radio 2. 6.00 Dave Lee Travis. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.31 Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm Andy Peebles. 4.31 Kid Jensen. 7.00 Stayin' Alive. 8.00 Mike Read. 9.50 Newsbeat. 10.00 John Peel. † 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2.

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Tyne Tees As London except: 2.20 am The Good Word. 1.20 am North East News. 2.30 Film: The Angry Stience (Richard Attenborough, Pier Angel). 5.15 More and Mindy. 6.02 Crossroads Northern Life. 10.30 Northern Report. 11.00 North East News Headings. 11.05 Film: Gumahop Abert Filmey. Spille Whitelaw). 12.30 am Epilogue.

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Border As London except: 1.20 pm Border News. 2.30 Film: Ring of Fire. 5.15 University Challenge, 8.50 Lookaround Monday, 5.15 Collecting with Curtix 10.30 Labour Conference, 11.30 Michel Legrand, 12.30 am Border News.

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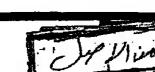
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